

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Ralph W. Yarborough
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Yarborough:

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Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

December 5, 1968

The Hon. Ralph Yarborough
United States Senator
Congress of the United States
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Yarborough:

This will acknowledge with appreciation your memorandum dated November 22 addressed to the President Elect, Richard Nixon, and enclosed letter from Mr. Glen W. Draehn, Post Office Box 1083, Brenham, Texas.

I am referring Mr. Draehn's correspondence, including his application for Federal employment, to those individuals in the transition organization who are responsible to President Elect Nixon for recruiting the best possible talent for available positions in the new Administration. Mr. Draehn will receive every consideration commensurate with his background and abilities.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

BRYCE N. HARLOW
Assistant to the
President Elect

BNH:ew

bcc: Mr. Harry Fleming

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

January 7, 1969

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Mr. Bryce Harlow
Assistant to the President-Elect
Federal Building #7
17th and H Streets, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bryce:

I have your letter of December 24 containing all the information respecting the operation of your Congressional Liaison Office.

I want to congratulate you upon your appointment and I look forward to working with you again as we did years ago.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes for the New Year,

Sincerely,

Sid

SIDNEY R. YATES
Member of Congress

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Sidney R. Yates
United States of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Sid:

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RICHARD M. NIXON

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Gus Yatron
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Yatron:

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January 9, 1969

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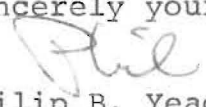
Dear Bryce:

I very much appreciate your letter of January 6. Mr. Daddario did indeed share Dr. DuBridge's letter with me, and we were delighted with the observations which he set forth.

I think you have done all we could possibly ask to bring the matter to the attention of the appropriate parties. Again, our sincere thanks.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,


Philip B. Yeager
Counsel

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

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Assistant to the
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November 26, 1968

Honorable John Young
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear John:

You are most kind to this well-worn senior citizen! I deeply appreciate your very nice letter indicating you and I can and surely will consort as we did a decade before.

It seems I will be in New York until around the first of the year, but I look forward to a get-together when we are settled back in Washington once more.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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

November 13, 1968

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Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Special Assistant to the President
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1730 K Street, N.W.
Suite 312
Washington, D. C.

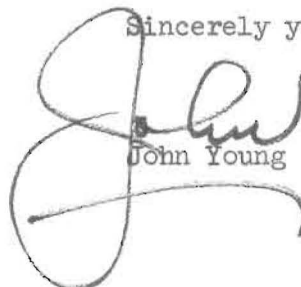
Dear Bryce:

I have read with interest and pleasure that President-elect Richard Nixon has appointed you as his Special Assistant in charge of legislative matters. This news brought back memories of a similar situation in the late fifties during which time a great deal was accomplished in the interest of our country through patience, understanding, and a friendly atmosphere of cooperation.

I want to congratulate you on receiving this extremely important appointment, and to commend the new President on the wisdom of his choice. Needless to say, I am looking forward to a renewal of our friendly relationship, and, within the obvious limitations of our respective positions, cooperating fully with you relative to the vital interests confronting us as a nation. I hope you can drop by for a visit soon after taking up your duties here in Washington.

With kind personal regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,



John Young

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 12, 1969

Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

Thanks very much for your ringing endorsement of Mr. Donald C. Holand. Your letter of December 16, 1968 is an impressive salute, and it will be very influential in all considerations.

I warmly appreciate your letting me know of your strong backing for Mr. Holand. Your salute to him means a great deal.

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:kmb

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North Dakota State Senate

1955 to present

January 11, 1969

Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

Inadvertently your December 16 letter addressed on the outside to me but on the inside to Mike Manatos (and I assume he got a similar letter addressed to me!) has not yet been answered. I apologize profusely; as you well know, we labor here under heavy burdens these days, equalled only by those under which you labor.

I am very glad to know of your strong endorsement for Dr. Gustafson of the University of North Dakota for a potential appointment to a Presidential Advisory Committee for the 1971 White House Conference on Aging. He does indeed seem to be a fine fellow, and your strong backing indicates his worth. Although I have no idea at this point whether that specific position will be Mr. Nixon's to fill, I know that Dr. Gustafson's background and experience will be carefully considered for any and all positions in this field.

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

MEMORANDUM

January 9, 1969

TO: BILL BAROODY

FROM: BRYCE HARLOW

On January 3 Senator Milton Young of North Dakota telephoned to urge appointment of John Davis as Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Says Davis is the former governor of North Dakota; former National Commander of the American Legion; headed Nixon-Agnew citizens in the 1968 campaign; 50 years old or younger; was a Colonel in World War II ("magnificent war record"); is in life insurance and banking, and is a fine speaker.

Says he's handsome, too.

January 6, 1969

Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

Thanks very much for your December 31st letter recommending John Davis for the position of Secretary of the Army or Assistant Secretary of the Army.

I am pleased to know of your commendation and certainly hope something can be worked out so that Mr. Davis can participate in the new Administration. Your enthusiastic salute means a great deal.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:jt/da

cc. Harlow

January 6, 1969

Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Milt:

Since your December 16 letter arrived recommending Mr. Palmby for Under Secretary of Agriculture, I believe you have been consulted respecting Mr. Hardin's plans for the Department and have learned that Mr. Palmby is destined for highly responsible work in the Department as Assistant Secretary--an arrangement Palmby has found to his liking.

We warmly appreciate your continuing interest in our efforts to find the best possible people to round out the new Administration.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

December 16, 1968

Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Special Assistant to
President-Elect Nixon
Pierre Hotel
5th Avenue & 61st Street
New York, New York

Dear Bryce:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I have addressed to the Honorable Clifford M. Hardin, Secretary-Designate of the Department of Agriculture, in which I urged the appointment of Clarence Palmby as Under Secretary of Agriculture.

I deem this appointment as of the highest importance if we are going to do a good job of handling present or any future farm programs and maintain the friendship of farmers, for which the Department of Agriculture was originally established. In plain words, being a farmer Clarence Palmby can talk farmers' language, and he can be a great asset.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,



MILTON R. YOUNG

MRY:sv
Encl.

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December 16, 1968

PERSONAL

VIA AIRMAIL

Honorable Clifford M. Hardin
Secretary-Designate
Department of Agriculture
Chancellor of the University of Nebraska
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

Dear Chancellor Hardin:

Congratulations on your appointment as Secretary of Agriculture. You have good recommendations and qualifications, and I am sure you will do a good job. I will cooperate with you in every way possible.

I would like to recommend for appointment as Under Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Clarence Palmby, whom you undoubtedly have heard about by now. He was a staff member and rose to a fairly high level in the Department of Agriculture under the Eisenhower Administration.

Clarence Palmby is a farmer, knows farmers, and is able to get along with them exceptionally well. Most important, he is an excellent administrator. Before coming to the Department of Agriculture he was a member of the State A.S.C.S. Committee of Minnesota and later their Executive Director.

I just came from a meeting with President-Elect Nixon and the Republican leadership of the House and Senate of which I am a member. The President-Elect and the Republican leadership stressed as one of the most important things this Administration will do is a good job of administering present programs.

Mr. Palmby knows farm programs very well and how best to efficiently and effectively administer them. This is one of his strongest points.

The present wheat, cotton, and feed grain programs expire with the 1970 crop. It isn't so much a matter of having an agricultural policy immediately--in fact, I would think you would have several months in which to

Honorable Clifford M. Hardin

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December 16, 1968

establish your own policies. The immediate problem you will have, and I think all Cabinet members will have, is that of administering present programs efficiently and prudently.

Finally, Mr. Palmby is one who I think is able to get along quite well with all of the general farm organizations, as well as the many commodity groups. I would strongly urge that you consider his appointment as Under Secretary of Agriculture.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

MILTON R. YOUNG

MRY:jbv

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December 22, 1968

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Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 12 recommending Albert M. Christopher for a position in the New Administration as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations.

Mr. Christopher's background is excellent, and I shall make it a point to discuss his interest with Secretary of State-Designate Bill Rogers. I am sure Secretary Rogers will give this matter thorough attention.

With cordial regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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December 22, 1968

Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

Flanigan
Our good friend -- now the President-Elect -- has asked me to express his appreciation for your resounding applause in behalf of George Kirilla who seems to be an outstanding individual. Both his credentials and your endorsement are now before those individuals who are assisting in the formulation of our new line-up. They will, I am sure, receive the close attention you rightly expect.

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I am also very glad to have your evaluation of Donn Larson, along with his resume. Most assuredly he will have full consideration for all suitable positions.

Again, Milt, thanks very much for your assistance. I depend on it.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

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December 18, 1968

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Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

Thanks very much for your resounding endorsement of David D. Thomas as Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, as detailed in your December 10 letter. This kind of assistance is invaluable, as I trust you realize, and I am sure your comments will be actively considered in all deliberations concerning this position.

I am deeply appreciative of your contributions the other day, and of your continuing assistance.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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December 15, 1968

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Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

I am glad to have your December 10 letter expressing your strong support of Mr. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, and I assure you that this matter will be most carefully considered here. I should like at the same time to thank you for the suggestions you offer for Secretary of Agriculture. While those you recommended were not selected, I have taken steps to insure that consideration be given to them for alternative posts within the Department.

I look forward to seeing you tomorrow at the leadership meeting and also to working closely with you on the legislative concerns of the new Administration.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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December 14, 1968

Honorable Milton R. Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

Thank you for your letter of December 2 recommending Mrs. Mary Brooks as Treasurer of the United States in the new Administration.

Mrs. Brooks has an outstanding background and could, indeed, make a valuable contribution to the new Administration. I am referring your communication to those individuals who during the transition period, are working with the President-Elect in determining the new line-up. I know Mrs. Brooks will receive active and thoughtful consideration for this important post. Your own recommendation is, of course, genuinely appreciated.

With cordial regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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cc: Peter Flanigan

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United States Senate

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

December 11, 1968

THOMAS J. SCOTT, CHIEF CLERK
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The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
450 Park Avenue
New York, N. Y. 10022

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My dear Mr. President:

This letter is in connection with the personal resume you recently received from Mr. George Kirilla, Jr., who is interested in possible openings in your Administration through which you might be able to utilize the considerable talents he has.

I have discussed this matter with Mr. Kirilla in some detail and have reviewed the resume he has prepared. His long experience in business and government gives him an excellent background for work in the various areas in which he has expressed an interest. He is particularly interested in the Agency for International Development, the Small Business Administration, and operations of the Department of Defense dealing with the relationship between the defense establishment and the impact the military has on local economies in this country.

The broad nature of his background and training, however, would enable him to provide valuable service in quite a number of areas within your Administration. I would like to take this opportunity to urge that thorough consideration be given this application. If I can provide further information, I will be glad to be of assistance at any time.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

MILTON R. YOUNG

MRY:nbk

cc: ✓ Mr. Bryce N. Harlow
Mr. Harry Flemming

December 9, 1968

Honorable Milton Young
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Milt:

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:kmb

NOVEMBER 30, 1968

RN CALLED SENATOR MILTON YOUNG TODAY -- NOT COMPLETED.

RMN placed, but did not complete a call to SENATOR YOUNG,
today, 11/30/68

November 27, 1968

Honorable Milton R. Young USS
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Milt:

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 Appropriations. 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:nw

Bryce N. Harlow
Office of the President-Elect
Pierre Hotel
61 Street and Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

November 19, 1968

The Honorable Milton R. Young, U.S.S.
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Milt:

Thanks very much for your good letter of November 14 in behalf of Deputy Under Secretary of State, Rimestad. I am delighted to have your high estimate of him and will certainly make it known in appropriate quarters here.

As I am sure you well appreciate, these sub-Cabinet positions throughout the government are far from being resolved at this point, but it is very helpful to have this kind of certification in behalf of any of the people who have been serving the previous administration.

I hope your visit to the military bases in the Pacific will prove to be most interesting and fruitful and I look forward to seeing you soon after your return to Washington.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,



Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH/jch

*Sent to Rimestad
11/21/68*

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICHARD M. NIXON

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Clement J. Zablocki
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zablocki:

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January 10, 1969

Mr. Jaroslau Zantousky
Office of the Embassy
2349 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Zantousky:

Thanks so very much for your Christmas card and the Slovensko photograph album. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

The photography in the album is magnificent and some of the scenes are breathtaking.

Thank you again and with very best regards.

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

Mr. Bryce Harlow,

450 Park Avenue, "Nixon headquarters"

New York, N.Y.

January 11, 1969

Honorable Charles J. Zinn
United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zinn:

You are more than kind in your December 11 letter of congratulations. Thanks very much.

My hope is that you will cheer as fully the results of our endeavors as you have these modest beginnings!

Cordially,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

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U. S. House of Representatives
Committee on the Judiciary
Washington, D. C.

December 11, 1968

Charles J. Zinn
Law Revision Counsel

Dear Mr. Harlow:

I was delighted to learn that your appointment was the first appointment made by President-elect Nixon, and wish you all success in your new but familiar post.

If there is any way in which I may be of service to you I hope you will let me know.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Jinn".

Honorable Bryce N. Harlow
3744 30th Road, N.
Arlington, Virginia

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICHARD M. NIXON

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable Roger H. Zion
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zion:

I have now set up shop in the Transition headquarters, Federal Building #7, corner of 17th and H Streets, N. W., Washington, D.C. While it will be necessary for me to divide my time between the Capital and New York until January 20, my associates -- Ken BeLieu and Bill Timmons, both "Deputy Assistants for Congressional Relations" -- will operate from the temporary Washington office. Ken will be concentrating on Senate matters, and Bill on House matters. Please call on them if they can be helpful in any way during this governmental hiatus.

The D. C. office switchboard is 395-2000 and the New York number is (212) 421-3100.

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:kb

January 9, 1969

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Honorable Roger H. Zion
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zion:

Thanks very much for your letter of
January 2. Please assure Reverend Daly
that a picture of the President-Elect will
be sent posthaste.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH/sr

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New York, New York

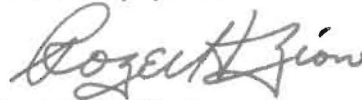
Gentlemen:

This is in reference to a request for a picture of President-Elect Nixon, to be used in the Library of St. Meinrad Archabbey in the 8th Congressional District of Indiana.

I am enclosing a copy of the letter of request. It would be greatly appreciated if you could direct this request to the proper office so that a picture could be mailed to the Archabbey.

With every good wish, I remain

Sincerely yours



Roger H. Zion
Member of Congress
8th District of Indiana

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The Archabbey Library
St. Meinrad Archabbey
St. Meinrad, Indiana 47577
December 12, 1968

The Honorable Roger H. Zion
1221 Longworth Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

Sir:

Prior to the Presidential Inauguration in January, we will be featuring the new three volume "History of the Presidency" published by the Editors of "American Heritage", in the display area of our library.

We have been unable thus far to obtain a good photo of the President-Elect to post with our other materials pertinent to the Presidency. We would indeed appreciate it if you would direct us to a source for same.

Thank you for your attention to our request.

Sincerely,

Simeon Daly, O.S.B.

(Rev.) Simeon Daly, O.S.B.
Librarian

SD/lz

December 15, 1968

Honorable Roger H. Zion
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zion:

We appreciate your request of December 10 for a congratulatory message from the President-Elect to Mr. Girdley, who reaches his century mark on Christmas Day.

I can assure you that this important milestone will be appropriately recognized and we appreciate your calling it to our attention.

With cordial regard,

Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

bcc: Ann Volz for action

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Richard M. Nixon

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 24, 1968

Honorable John M. Zwach
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zwach:

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Sincerely,

Bryce N. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

December 15, 1968

Honorable John M. Zwach
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear John:

You were kind to send to us on December 6 the letter you received from Mr. Lee Oliver of Richmond, Indiana, and I do hope you will inform Mr. Oliver that his interesting views are greatly appreciated by President-Elect Nixon and all of us here.

It was thoughtful of you to share this correspondence with us.

Sincerely,

Bryce M. Harlow
Assistant to the
President-Elect

BNH:ph

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December 6, 1968

President-elect Richard M. Nixon
Hotel Pierre
New York, New York

Dear President-elect:

A constituent asked that the attached
letter be forwarded to you.

Sincerely yours,


John M. Zwach
Member of Congress

Enclosures

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RUNNING OUT OF RUGS?

Bomb Halt Called Bad Decision

By BRIG. GEN. (Ret.)
S.L.A. Marshall
Military Affairs Analyst

In the end, whether we win, lose or draw, there will be no written history of our current undertakings in Indochina that will be anything like an honest and accurate accounting.

Any way is difficult to report, accurately in balanced narrative. Under the best of conditions—and we had such in the European theater because Gen. Eisenhower desired that what was done should become in time an open book—the coverage of fighting operations is never more than 70 per cent accurate, and will always be less than half full. Such was my judgment at the end of World War II and I so reported to the general staff.

Under the worst of conditions—and we have them in South Vietnam—what is called history is composed out of half-truths, suppositions and romantic nonsense. Not only is there no central authority directing that every agency and service participating in the name of government keep a candid and reasonably complete record. Right from the top of government down to the smallest extension of our power that is serving in the field, there are too many embarrassing secrets that small minds will reckon are best kept locked.

It is that kind of war. The dirty linen continues to pile higher. Decisions that in retrospect look more and more grotesque keep accumulating. As with the Bay of Pigs, that which cannot logically be explained, or exposed as other than an utter absurdity, is due to be swept under the rug. The trouble is that we are about to run out of rugs.

As of this writing we are supposed to be in a phase described as "delicate negotiations." The adjective is used to keep the public breathbated, stifle criticism, blanket proceedings and justify the bottling-up of information thereafter. The ostensible purpose is to keep a movement advantageous to this country from slipping off the rails.

As a one-time sharer in official secrets, I acknowledge that his view is somewhat jaundiced. Over a lifetime, one sees a plethora of flapdoodle wearing a mask of importance. On the other hand, the course of events should entitle any citizen to ask: "What is so delicate about all of this?"

There was nothing delicate about the President announcing just prior to the election that there had been established the necessary conditions for meaningful negotiations in Paris, and would therefore unconditionally suspend all bombing on the North, when in fact the opposite was true.

However, Hanoi and all other communists have continued to declare that the Saigon government is not just a satellite, but a mere puppet of the United States, with Washington pulling the strings. So at this stage, we should make an oblique move to prove before the world that the relationship is exactly what the communist say? OK, if we also wish to take a small walk to Munich.

According to the relative position and conditions of the two sides in the field, we led from strength when these "delicate negotiations" were started. The NVA had not been able to stage a main attack since May. Its troops everywhere were demoralized and suffering. During the last weeks they tried totally to disengage, not to create an illusion of response to the call for scaling down of fighting operations, but because they had to save themselves.

That position of strength was tossed away. The weakest possible play was made. The President gave much and got nothing back. The bombing of North was halted and must stay that way. The reason why should be self-apparent. The communists have kept their part of the deal; both parties came to the table. Our side has not.

In his announcement, the President expressed only a faint hope that in return for stopping the bombing of the North, the communist would cease to rocket, mortar and shell the cities and allied bases in the South.

A more wishful thought than his could not be imagined. Communists do not deal that way, once they have gained much-sought advantage by slick maneuver. So from on of the bush and the high ground, their batteries have continued to pound away at a civilian or military target within range. They are also firing from the DMZ. Our troops and the Vietnamese under the gun must be asking: "What the hell is this all about?"

And that's not the worst of it. Right at the beginning, the communists of the North have been handed, on a silver platter, an all-over respite. Their troops have been pulled back to refit, train and receive replacements. And we are forbidden to chase them when they move into sanctuary.

Delicate negotiations? According to the dictionary, the word doesn't cover self-inflicted sounds.

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The President has jumped the gun. South Vietnam already had advised the White House that it would not sit at Paris with the National Liberation Front. For Johnson to assume that President Thieu could be nudged over the line by the announcement of a fait accompli was not delicate; it was positively indelicate.

The declaration of the vice president, that we should go to the table, with or without South Vietnam, was not more indelicate than indecent. The national honor should not be held that cheaply. True, he was then campaigning and in need of votes, which may provide some excuse. But for an official voice to suggest, even under such stresses, that the United States should scuttle its position is a cause for astonishment.

Consider that we have said all along that South Vietnam is sovereign and that Thieu's is a legitimate, duly elected government. Armies have been fighting and men are dying south of Parallel 17 to validate these propositions.

Dec. 2, 1968

Hon. Richard M. Nixon,

Congratulations on your election
to the Presidency!

Well sir, there are some strange
people who came from Minnesota
for instance: Gus Hall and Hubert
Humphrey.

But in the "fighting sixth district"
we have always voted right except
in the case of F.D.R. who was probably
the worst enemy the U.S.A. ever
had. He sold us out at Yalta. The
old timers in Georgia will swear that
he blew his brains out. I have been
in that so called shrine and saw
plenty evidence of scraping and scrubbing.
As you may recall his coffin was sealed
and never opened after arriving in
Washington D.C.

I here firmly believe that if you
will rescue our pilots and other
American prisoners from Viet Nam
and make it a declared war so our
service men can receive the
same benefits as men in a declared

Lee Oliver
RICHMOND, MINN.

now. Then you will be re-elected
to a second term.

In the sixth district they call me
"Mr. Republican" who did it I can't
know and I don't believe I deserve it.

I belong to a "Save the Nation"
group. If you want more information
about our plan please write me.

Sincerely,

Lee Oliver