

Chen

July 9, 1969

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. FLANIGAN

The President does not want to appoint John M. Shaheen to the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board ... at least not at this time. He said that you should go ahead and put him on some international committee -- that Shaheen can progress from there.

(As I am sure you can read into this message, the President has not ruled out the possibility of Shaheen's eventually serving on the FIAB, but he does not want to add a new member ... even though there is no limit to membership.)

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

July 9, 1969

TELEPHONE CALL

POSTMASTER GENERAL WINTON M. BLOUNT

RECOMMENDED BY: Alex Butterfield

REASON: He wants to talk to you "in person
or by phone" about two items:

- (1) Your hopefully following through on the proposal (discussed in an early Cabinet Meeting) that from time to time you host small dinners at the Residence for Assistant Secretaries of the Departments and their wives; and
- (2) S. 1583, passed by the Senate yesterday without amendment, which provides for the appointment by the Postmaster General of all Postmasters in the competitive Civil Service.

ACTION:

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July 9, 1969

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. FLANIGAN

The President has just reviewed your June 30th memorandum concerning certain individuals assigned to the State Department. His comments to you appear below:

Re McCloskey -- "Okay."

Re Poats -- "This is the fellow I feel most strongly about. He's bright ... he's tired ... and he's against us -- deeply. Move him no later than October 1st.

Re Lush -- "Okay."

Re Crisek -- No comment made by the President.

Re Cieplinski -- No comment made by the President.

Re Creel -- No comment made by the President.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 9, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CHAPIN

Subject: Action Report on Staff-Recommended Presidential Phone Calls

The following staff-recommended phone calls were reviewed by the President on July 8th.

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>REC CALL TO</u>	<u>DATE.</u>	<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>
(1) Bryce Harlow (Sen. Russell Long)	O. C. Smith	Jul 8	Call made.

Please notify those concerned as to action taken.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

Saville Davis had an article in the July 3rd issue of Christian Science Monitor devoted to the President and his image. A portion of the article said in essence that beneath the surface none of the Presidentially-directed policy studies had turned up much of anything ... certainly nothing to stir the national leadership or provide the President with an image of dynamism.

The President thought this might well be something for the 5 O'clock Group to consider.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Klein
Mr. Keogh

Chen

July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARLOW

Howard K. Smith commented recently on the lack of progress in Congress as we near the "6-month mark". He noted that of 13 appropriations bills pending for the new fiscal year not one has yet been passed. He said that the usual spurs to action aren't working and that the Congressional leadership isn't doing its job.

With reference to the "leadership" remark the President thought someone should point out to Smith (and others) the very significant fact that we have Democratic majorities in both houses.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Klein
Mr. Belieu
Mr. Grubb
Mr. Timmons

chron

July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. FLANIGAN

A short paragraph in today's News Summary called to the President's attention the fact that "American Women in Radio and Television", a 2200-member group, was asking him to name a woman to the pending FCC vacancy. Directing his comments to you, the President said, "Why not? We need one major woman appointee. Please give me a report."

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Chron

July 8, 1969

TOP SECRET (When With Attachment)

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER

The President wanted the attached memorandum to him from Emperor Haile Sellassie -- classified TOP SECRET -- passed on to you and your staff.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

TOP SECRET (When With Attachment)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 8, 1969

PERSONAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ALL CABINET MEMBERS

Over the past 3-4 weeks our Congressional liaison office has received increasing numbers of complaints from Senators and Representatives that members of the Cabinet are failing to return their telephone calls. All of us here have been charged with the same offense -- and because of that, I can understand only too well why it is difficult and often impossible to react to such calls promptly. On the other hand it is clear by the severity of some of the more recent complaints that the grumbling over this particular matter is spreading on Capitol Hill. I pass this word along to you and your key staff members for whatever consideration you deem appropriate.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Alexander P. Butterfield

Deputy Assistant to the President
(and Acting Secretary to the Cabinet)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

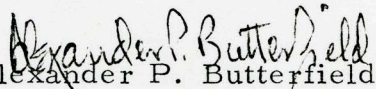
ALL CABINET MEMBERS

I am writing this memorandum to request two special reports ... each to be prepared for the President's early review.

The first of these -- the one of higher priority, due in the office of the Staff Secretary by 2:00 p. m. on Thursday, July 10 -- concerns personnel reductions. Specifically, it must state, or list, all that you have done since January 20th to reduce the total number of personnel within your Department.

The second report -- due by 2:00 p. m. on Friday, July 18 -- should cite all of what you consider to be the major accomplishments of your Department to date i. e. over this first 6-month period of the Administration.

Thank you.


Alexander P. Butterfield

Deputy Assistant to the President
(and Acting Secretary to the Cabinet)

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

The President has disapproved Bob Mayo's briefing on FY 71 Budget planning as an agenda item for the July 10th Cabinet meeting. John Whitaker told me that Mayo hoped to appeal this decision ... but as of my last check with Mayo he had not done so. I can put another item (a briefing on the functions of the Office of Intergovernmental Relations, by Nils Boe) in the now vacant Mayo slot ... but I prefer not to do this for the following reasons:

- (a) Agenda item #1, which concerns the population problem and features a double-shuffle arrangement by the State Department's population expert and Secretary Finch, promises to be more interesting than one normally would anticipate and should -- in all fairness to the topic -- take 40-45 minutes including the discussion period.
- (b) Three topics seems a more reasonable goal for the 90 minutes allotted to this particular Cabinet meeting.
- (c) The President has an 11:45 a.m. appointment with Senator Tower.

Therefore, I propose the schedule outlined below:

10:00-10:45: I. Population (worldwide emphasis) - State
by Philander P. Claxton, Jr.,
Special Assistant to the Secretary for
Population Matters
(10:00-10:25)

Population (U.S. emphasis) - HEW
by Secretary Robert H. Finch,
Secretary of HEW
(10:25-10:35)

Discussion
(10:35-10:45)

10:45-11:10: II. Continuity of the Federal Government
During Emergency and Related Civil
Defense Preparedness Procedures
by B/General George A. Lincoln,
Director, OEP
(10:45-11:05)

Discussion
(11:05-11:10)

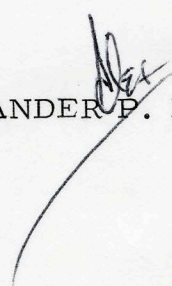
11:10-11:25: III. The Economic Outlook
by Dr. Paul W. McCracken,
Chairman, CEA
(11:10-11:20)

Discussion
(11:20-11:25)

11:25-11:30: President's closing remarks ...

I would suggest that as the meeting comes to a close the President inform the Cabinet members that the next meeting will be held in California (with wives) on Monday, August 18.

(Note: The attachment indicates that by way of a preliminary check on Cabinet members' August schedules we would lose only three of the regular participants -- Secretary Kennedy, Dir. Rumsfeld, and Dr. Burns.)


ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Approve H said OK

Disapprove _____

Please see me _____

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

A G E N D A

CABINET MEETING

Thursday, July 10, 1969
10:00 to 11:30 A.M.

1. THE POPULATION PROBLEM

- a) Worldwide Emphasis
Special Assistant to the Secretary of
State for Population Matters,
Philander P. Claxton, Jr.
- b) Domestic Emphasis
Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare,
Robert H. Finch

2. CONTINUITY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
DURING EMERGENCY AND RELATED CIVIL
DEFENSE PREPAREDNESS PROCEDURES

Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness,
General George A. Lincoln

3. THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers,
Dr. Paul W. McCracken

4. BRIEF REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT.

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July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

Subject: The Washington Democratic Council's
Unilateral Disarmament Resolution
(Information Only)

Prior to your recent trip to Florida you asked that Bill Casey be sent a copy of the Washington (State) Democratic Council's resolution on unilateral disarmament -- the memorandum which Scoop Jackson handed to you one night aboard the Sequoia. This is to inform you that Casey received the paper on July 1st and has since put it to good use as a part of his Committee's mailing materials.

Alexander P. Butterfield

chron

July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

Subject: Personnel Status Report No. 21 (as of July 4, 1969)

Since John Whitaker's preparation of Personnel Status Report No. 20 (June 17th) the 12 major Departments have made no progress toward filling executive positions at and above Level V. Thus, the completion figures remain at 231 out of a designated total of 266, or 87%.

The Cabinet, however, has identified 1,577 non-career positions the incumbents of which have been or are to be replaced. In this effort the completion percentage is 73, which equates to 1,154 appointments (or 38 more than last reported). Republicans represent 902 of these recent appointees while Democrats and Independents account for 93 and 68 respectively. Persons of unknown political affiliation, including 40 Foreign Service Officers, number 91 and make up the balance.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Flanigan
Mr. Flemming
Mr. Dunn
Mr. Higby

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CHAPIN

Subject: Action Report on Staff-Recommended Presidential Phone Calls

The following staff-recommended phone calls were reviewed by the President on July 7th.

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>REC CALL TO</u>	<u>DATE.</u>	<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>
(1) Bryce Harlow	Sen. Dominick	Jul 7	RN said, "No. Birthday calls should be made only when it's a milestone or when there's a special party. Otherwise, every Senator will wonder why he isn't called."

Please notify those concerned as to action taken.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR

Messrs. C. Stanley Blair
P. J. Buchanan
Dwight Chapin
Ken Cole
Lee A. DuBridge
John D. Ehrlichman
Peter Flanigan
H. R. Haldeman
Bryce N. Harlow
James Keogh
Henry A. Kissinger
Herbert G. Klein
Paul McCracken
D. P. Moynihan
C. B. Wilkinson
Ronald Ziegler

This is to confirm the message passed to you earlier that there will be a Cabinet Meeting in the Cabinet Room on Thursday, July 10, at 10:00 a.m.

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ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

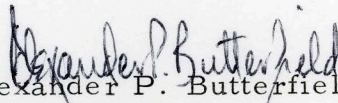
July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR

ALL CABINET MEMBERS

This is to confirm the message passed to you earlier that there will be a Cabinet Meeting in the Cabinet Room on Thursday, July 10, at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting agenda is being finalized at the present time and will be dispatched to each of you by the close of business on July 8th.


Alexander P. Butterfield

Deputy Assistant to the President
(and Acting Secretary to the Cabinet)

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Denial of ABM Partisanship
(Information Only)

I thought you might be interested in reading Bill Casey's letter to the editors of the Washington Star and the Washington Post countering their initial charges that the Citizens Committee for Peace with Security was wholly partisan in character. The Star ran Casey's letter, but the Post did not.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

Bob:

Marie Workman just sent these clippings to Charlotte the
Vests' farewell to Cotton Point.

We hear (and read in the attached article) that Millie Horton is
seeing (and "going with") Hank Workman's brother, Dave.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BUCHANAN

The President doesn't consider the "Washington Week in Review" program worth quite so much time. He said that, in his opinion, it is nothing more than a rehash of the columns. What he would like instead is more emphasis on the shows with big listening audiences.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS ROSE MARY WOODS

I am attaching a July 2nd memorandum for the President prepared by John Brown ... and on which the President wrote a short note to you.

A copy has been returned to the Staff Secretary so you may dispose of this material in any way you see fit.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

I am attaching a memorandum which Lee Auspitz wrote for the purpose of recording his late-June conversations with Peter Drucker (author of Sickness of Government). It was forwarded to the President prior to his Key Biscayne visit and the President has since told Walter Thayer that he thinks "reprivitization" (clarified in paragraph 5 of the Auspitz memorandum) has great possibilities as a better means of doing the job and as a new idea of the RN Administration. He wants you to review the Auspitz memo and put a man on an immediate survey of what we might possibly be able to do now before Walter Thayer's study is completed.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Honorable Robert H. Finch
Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare

The President would be interested in Dr. Egeberg's views on the outlined portion of paragraph 5 of the attached memorandum for record.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
MR. EHRLICHMAN
MR. HARLOW
MR. DENT

While at Key Biscayne the President had a chance to read a copy of the recent address by John Ashbrook to the House of Representatives ... a rather lengthy, but interesting, discourse which seeks to justify Ashbrook's vote against the surtax extension.

With reference to Ashbrook's aggregation of complaints of conservative Republicans -- and their sincere concern over the programs and thrust of the Administration thus far -- the President commented that it appeared obvious that we are not getting our message across to the Republicans.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

In the Time magazine article concerning Judge Burger's swearing-in as the new Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, mention was made of the President appearing "in order to offer symbolic support to an institution which he himself had so harshly attacked" during the campaign.

The President felt that this statement was typical of those which should be answered by thoughtful letters to editors. He would like us to make note of this point and meanwhile get a letter off to the Time editor saying that RN criticized some of the decisions but always defended the institution.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Klein
Mr. John Brown

chron

July 7, 1969
3:35 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

Larry just called to say that you would like a current head count of anticipated Senatorial voting on the ABM issue in your hands by the close of business today. This is merely to inform you that such a head count is enroute to you now through Ken Cole's office ... attached to a BeLieu-prepared status report.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

chm

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER

The President's News Summary of July 2-3 stated that 92 of the 135 members of South Vietnam's House of Representatives had demanded the resignation of Premier Tran Van Huong and his Cabinet ... calling Huong inefficient and ineffective.

The President would like your views as to the cause and significance of this demand.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

clm

July 7, 1969

Mrs. Nixon:

The President wanted you to see
the attached feature story on Tricia
which appeared in the Parade section
of yesterday's Washington Post.

Alexander P. Butterfield

Attachment

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. James W. Clark
Bureau of the Budget

Subject: Reduction of U. S. Government Personnel Overseas

I am attaching my rather hastily prepared modification to the draft "implementing memorandum" which you and Bob Mayo sent to the President via John Ehrlichman last week. You will recall that both John and I felt (and feel) there need be no mention of "low visibility", etc. I think that simply to mention our reduction program is being undertaken to more efficiently manage our vital manpower resources is quite enough ... for good management encompasses all such prudent considerations as were stated in the first paragraph of the BoB draft.

As I mentioned to you on the telephone this morning, the President is anxious for us to place before him a memorandum (in final form) which will put the overseas reduction program into high gear without delay and direct the completion of the several phases of the project by a fairly demanding, but realistic, time table.

I should think that we would want to have the "Memorandum for Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies" in Ehrlichman's hands no later than the close of business on Wednesday, July 9.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

cc: Mr. Mayo
Mr. Ehrlichman
Mr. Haldeman

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER

The following paragraph will give you the essence of a David Binder article which appeared in the July 1st issue of the New York Times:

The Kiesinger government has voiced annoyance over what it took to be "a snub by President Nixon" ... one which caused the Chancellor to postpone his U.S. visit for the third time. Senior members of Kiesinger's entourage have expressed "off-the-record" that "fantastic confusion" resulted from the schedule shifts and that they regard this third change (made necessary by the President's plan to visit Romania) as "an odd procedure toward the leader of a closely allied nation."

Is there any element of truth to this story? The President would like you to make a close and careful check and report to him the facts of the matter ... along with your views.

Thank you.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

Last night ABC's Jules Bergman told his television audience that there is some feeling at the Houston space center that the APOLLO 11 crew has been pushed too hard and that the scheduled mid-July launch could easily have been delayed another month ... especially in consideration of the fact that we are not in any race with the Soviets at this juncture.

The President wants you to double check this with Tom Payne right away ... and if there is anything whatever to Bergman's statement, direct him to postpone the launch.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

According to Pat Buchanan's news summary today there is a story on Page 2 of the New York Daily News which reports NASA medical officials being extremely upset by the President's plans to have dinner with the APOLLO 11 astronauts the night before they blast off.

The President wanted you to know that in his opinion this is "shockingly bad PR work ... by someone."

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Klein

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN
MR. HARLOW

Having just read a synopsis of a recent John Chancellor report on the MIRV issue -- one which displayed considerable footage of John Anderson (who led some 104 House members to ask the Administration to halt MIRV testing) saying that going ahead with MIRV could bring the U.S. and Russia much closer to nuclear war -- the President said that Gerry Ford and Les Arends might well launch a concerted counter-offensive on this nonsense, and that Bryce should work toward that end.

The President thought that, additionally, we should work toward publicizing a poll showing 2-1 in the House favoring Safeguard.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. BeLieu
Mr. Grubb
Mr. Timmons

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER
MR. EHRLICHMAN

The President has just read in a news summary that a group of 28 prominent Americans headed by Arthur Flemming are urging him to take new initiatives to end, "and not simply de-Americanize", the war in Vietnam. The news piece goes on to say that the Flemming group proposes specifically that the United States abandon its present policy of maintaining maximum military pressure on the enemy and begin reducing the scale of fighting "in every possible way" ... looking toward the prompt achievement of a standstill ceasefire. (Some of the 28 persons are: Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr.; Dr. Andrew Cordier; Edwin Reischauer; Hans Morgenthau; Senator Tydings; and William B. Arthur, editor of Look magazine.)

With reference to this report the President wanted each of you to know that in his opinion we should most certainly be able to get another "28 prominent Americans" who would advocate the reverse. The thought occurred to him that quite possibly Nelson Rockefeller would undertake this ... and that it would be most effective if he were to do so.

Please look into the possibilities here and keep the President informed.

Thank you.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. WALTER THAYER

The President appreciated your forwarding Lee Auspitz's memorandum for record concerning his conversations with Peter Drucker in late June. He wanted you to know that he thinks "reprivitization" has great possibilities as a better means of doing the job ... and as a "new idea of the RN Administration." Additionally, he (the President) wants John Ehrlichman to put a man on an immediate survey of what we might possibly be able to do now ... before your study (the Thayer study) is completed.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Ehrlichman

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Dr. Paul W. McCracken
Chairman, Council of Economic Advisors

I am attaching the July 3rd memorandum which you prepared for the President in response to his earlier request for your views on the several rather rash statements by Walter Heller. He thought your 'basic facts' were very interesting and, as you will note, he particularly enjoyed the analogy you drew between the Glendower-Hotspur dialogue and Heller's call for an economic disarmament agreement.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
MR. EHRLICHMAN

In the current issue of the New Republic our friend, John Osborne, discusses a period of extreme frustration which the President went through only a few weeks ago. Osborne reports that the White House Assistants who observed this "frustration period" were troubled and temporarily dismayed. "Domestic problems were seen to be at fault for they seemed for a time to have overwhelmed Mr. Nixon and to have robbed him of his habitual confidence that any problem which must be solved can be solved.

The President's comment to each of you: "Here we go again. Certainly we should be able to find out who on our staff talks to this character."

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Chen

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BUCHANAN

The President agreed with your remark concerning William Buckley's recent column, "Lindsay's Remarks Truly Amazing". He wants you to save the 3-page Column of the Day report -- especially the next to the last paragraph (page 3) -- for possible use in a future speech.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Keogh

chron

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN BROWN

This is to inform you that the President approved the several revisions to the scenario on Emperor Haile Selassie's arrival. Because of the late date of my receipt of the President's "okay" I called the Aide's office to double-check their plans ... and found that (fortunately) they knew of the revisions and had taken appropriate action.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN
MR. HARLOW

The President has read several accounts of Fred Harris's critical comments about the forthcoming trip around the world. On several occasions Harris has said he believes the problems in this country should come first ... but that if the President must travel he should go to Moscow and confer with Kremlin leaders on such subjects as the forthcoming arms control talks.

It has occurred to the President that we should have some of our people "praising the trip." He would like for you two, together, to stir up some favorable commentary ... from Vice President Agnew, Chairman Morton, party leaders, etc. ... and from some leading Democrats like Scoop Jackson.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. BeLieu
Mr. Grubb
Mr. Timmons

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July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARLOW

With reference to Senator Percy's recently publicized prediction that the Senate will reject the ABM, the President said he thinks it's high time for some of our people to openly (and loudly) predict a win. He wants you to have Ken BeLieu follow up on this.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. BeLieu
Mr. Timmons

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER (Information Only)
MR. EHRLICHMAN (Information Only)

A recent Frank Reynolds TV commentary dealt with Secretary Rogers' press conference ... but the thrust of the views expressed by Reynolds was that we should reduce the level of fighting by stopping our offensive operations.

The President noted that this was the same view taken by the Arthur Flemming group, and that the "halting of our offensive operations" seems to represent the new line.

A/
ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Chron

July 7, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DENT

I am returning the memorandum which you prepared for the President on July 1st ... and which he read during his recent stay at Key Biscayne. As you will note, he was pleased with the report, and with the good job someone did in uncovering the data on Chappell. He wants you to be sure that Wilson follows up on this.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

Chron

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

I am attaching a considerably modified version of Bob Mayo's Presidential memorandum for reducing U.S. government personnel overseas. I agree that much of what Mayo said in his memorandum should be said ... but not necessarily in the President's "implementation order". Thus, I have shortened the Mayo version and emphasized only "management of manpower resources" as the purpose of the order.

Perhaps you will have time while in Florida to work out a final draft which, in your opinion, will meet with the President's approval.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

MEMORANDUM FOR:

HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Subject: Reduction of U. S. Government Personnel Overseas

In the interest of more efficiently managing our vital manpower resources I want each of you to identify without delay any and all means by which overseas assignees to your department or agency might be reduced by approximately 30%. I realize, of course, that a reduction of this magnitude will have many highly significant and far-reaching ramifications -- and that quite possibly, in some cases, our national security considerations will preclude any such action whatever. However, it is a fact that there are all too many foreign areas in which numerous U.S. civilian and military elements have long outlived their originally assigned missions.

Therefore I am asking the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense and the Director, Bureau of the Budget -- in close consultation with my Assistant for National Security Affairs -- to comprise a steering group to coordinate the requirements of this major personnel reduction program. I will expect the steering group, chaired by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, to develop guidelines complementary to those which follow, to evaluate anticipated results of planned withdrawals, and to monitor the progress of the total effort from start to finish.

In determining which organizations, groups, units, and individuals are to be withdrawn, it is essential that the steering group, together with senior representatives of each department and agency, assess with the utmost care -- on a country-by-country basis -- our current and projected policies for attaining both political and national security objectives. Concurrently each department and agency must conduct its own review -- based on its overseas personnel strength on June 30, 1969. The separate department and agency reviews should encompass all U. S. and foreign national direct-hire civilians and contractual employees in overseas areas, including Vietnam, with particular attention being given to Americans.

Final department and agency recommendations for unit and individual withdrawals should be forwarded to the steering group by September 12th. After ensuring that affected chiefs of missions and area military commanders have been consulted as appropriate, the steering group should pass its recommendations on to me by October 1st so that my decisions can be reflected in the 1971 budget and implementation can begin.

I fully recognize that it will take time to adjust, delete and perhaps even add U.S. Government functions overseas ... and to perform the necessary shifting of personnel. Accordingly, for each major reduction action identified and recommended for decision, I ask

that a target date for accomplishment be assigned. Additionally, you should develop plans for minimizing adverse effects on operations and individual employees, and for assisting personnel and their families in the readjustment process.

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July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Honorable John N. Mitchell
The Attorney General

The President would appreciate your comments on the lead editorial in today's Washington Post entitled, "Mr. Nixon's Non-War on District Crime." It seems to pretty well support Senator Tydings' allegations.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
MR. EHRLICHMAN
MR. FLANIGAN

Subject: Presidential Comment (Information Only)

The President has just read in his daily news summary that Spurgeon Keeny, Deputy Director at ACDA, looked Fulbright squarely in the eye during a recent hearing and testified that whereas he does not favor large weapons buildups as the best approach to arms control negotiations, he does favor deployment of both the ABM and MIRV while talks are pending. Said Keeny, "I do not believe we should defer any decisions on weapons systems in the absence of arms control agreements."

The President thought this was an excellent way for Keeny to express his views and said, "How in the world did we for once find a stand-up guy like this!!"

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Chrom

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

The following paragraph concerning student unrest appeared in the President's July 2nd news summary:

A national student leader warned Congress that American colleges face a movement akin to Hitler's Nazi Youth unless teachers and administrators stop students. Edward Callan, acting President of the Association of Student Governments, told McClellan's subcommittee that Administrators too often turned a deaf ear to legitimate student leaders but responded "when somebody burns their papers." Callan said students were catching on to the tactics of SDS which he said "has exploited student concern over justifiable issues in order to create the illusion of grassroots support." "The ruse is apparent," said Callan. "Students have played the Trojan Horse for SDS long enough. We are beginning to realize the facts and we are going to clean house. It is about time our higher institutions did the same."

The President thought Callan's statements made good sense. Directing additional comments to you, he said, "Let's give him some White House recognition. That would be better than trying to communicate with, and placate, the extremists."

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 2, 1969

PLEASE TREAT AS CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. KLEIN

In his televised report concerning passage of the surtax measure, David Brinkley hinted strongly that there had been considerable arm twisting on the part of the Administration. He said it seemed to him that, in threatening to withhold Federal projects from recalcitrant Congressmen, the Nixon Administration was using public money to influence public servants to raise more public money for a war in Vietnam which the public doesn't want.

The President wants you to quietly make arrangements for at least ten phone calls of outrage, and as many letters, to get to Brinkley right away. He wants a report on this matter Monday morning.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 2, 1969

Major Joseph Moore, USAF
Commander
4520th Aerial Demonstration Squadron
Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada

Dear Major Moore:

I assume that your own Air Force photographers got a few good pictures of the President inspecting your unit in conjunction with his recent Air Force Academy visit, but I saw the enclosed photo in the White House lab and thought I'd send it on.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Enclosure

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July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. FLANIGAN

In his June 29th column Drew Pearson said that Sigurd Larmon, former Chairman of Citizens for Eisenhower and close friend to Ike, was attending the \$1,000 per plate GOP fund raiser when he (Larmon) read that he had been "unceremoniously dropped" from the USIA Advisory Board "without any advance notice."

The President is interested in the accuracy of Pearson's statement and would appreciate your reporting to him the facts of the matter.

Thank you.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CHARLES WEST

The June 30th issue of National Observer contained an excellent and very effective article defending ABM. It was written by Jude Wanniski and entitled, "How the ABM Critics Justify Their Stand."

Please get together with Ken BeLieu and someone in Herb Klein's office and ensure that legible and unmarked copies of the article are mailed to every editorial writer in the nation, all Administration speakers, and whatever offices on the Hill Ken thinks appropriate.

Additionally, I would suggest that the SSG prepare for the President's signature a short complimentary letter to Wanniski.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

cc: Mr. BeLieu
Mr. Klein

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July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER

Please note the attached news summary concerning Communist forces in the Ben Het area ... and the President's comments.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

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July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN BROWN

Please get the name of the soldier in the attached news photo and have a short letter of commendation to him prepared for the President's signature.

Thank you.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Attachment

Chen

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN BROWN

The President was particularly pleased with your monthly report on Presidential letters generated as a result of daily newspaper reviews. He wants you, Anne Higgins and others who are working on the project to keep up the good work . . . and to continue thinking of ways and means by which we might expand and get even more out of the operation.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ZIEGLER

The President has just read a UPI news release which openly concedes the fact that the Senate count on the Safeguard issue is now 48 to 48 ... with the positions of only four Senators being in question. He thought it awfully strange that UPI didn't have the honesty to report in this same story the fact that their pre-March 14th survey had indicated that only 20 Senators favored ABM deployment, and that 46 were against. As a result, he would like for you to gently remind them (UPI) that the Administration's progress on this matter, along with the surtax victory, points to strong Presidential leadership.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Ehrlichman
Mr. Klein
Mr. Keogh

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: ANNE HIGGINS

The President was particularly pleased to read your summation of newspaper project letters. He wants you and others involved in the project to keep up the good work, and to continue thinking of ways and means by which we might expand and get even more out of the operation.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Klein

Chen

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Dr. Paul W. McCracken
Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers

The President agrees with your good judgment that it would be unwise to so prematurely go after publicity on the Consumer Price Index's rate of increase reduction during the month of May.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

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July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Dr. Paul W. McCracken
Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers

As you will note, the President thought your
analysis on the length of the workweek was
excellent.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Enclosure

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July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARLOW

Yesterday you submitted a memorandum to the President concerning Senator Saxbe's \$250,000 campaign deficit.

This is to inform you that the President disagrees with Berry's suggestion that his orally-delivered message will get across to Saxbe loud and clear, and that such direct action as delaying the state finance committee's assumption of the debt would hurt the party. He said that the deal with Saxbe should be made tough ... that Saxbe doesn't understand anything else.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. BeLieu

July 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. KLEIN

The President read your June 30th memorandum concerning pro-Nixon news headlines and quotations. He especially enjoyed Bill Hearst's little item about Lauren Bacall and wants you to prepare a very short note of acknowledgment for his signature (Dear Bill -- A great line! RN)

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

July 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

The President has just told Bob that he does not want to see any more progress reports, explanations, etc. concerning numbers of U. S. personnel overseas. He wants only to know that a reductions program is in motion and that significant results will soon be forthcoming.

In view of this development I recommend that we forego the "discussion with the President" proposed in Bob Mayo's memorandum to you and get our own final version of the implementation memo before the President (for signature) prior to his (and your) 11:30 a.m. Wednesday departure for Key Biscayne. (There are several ways in which I would change that particular memorandum and if you have a moment Wednesday morning I would like to review those changes with you. If time does not permit our meeting for 5-10 minutes, then I would suggest our forwarding the memorandum to the President as it . . . asking in a cover memorandum for his approval to "go final".)

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CHAPIN

Subject: Action Report on Staff-Recommended Presidential Phone Calls

The following staff-recommended phone calls were reviewed by the President on July 1st.

<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>REC CALL TO</u>	<u>DATE.</u>	<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>
(1) Bryce Harlow	Hale Boggs	Jul 1	Call made.
	Wm Colmer	Jul 1	Call made.
	George Mahon	Jul 1	Call made.

Please notify those concerned as to action taken.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Chris

July 1, 1969

PLEASE TREAT AS CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN

The President wants us to put an immediate freeze on the various kinds of silly ventures we've been asked to undertake in Mayor Lindsay's behalf.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Haldeman

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July 1, 1969

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER

Subject: Comment from the President (Information only)

"Military force cannot build peace or cure injustice," said New York City's Mayor to some 4,000 persons attending a recent anti-ABM rally. "Military force cannot answer our needs here at home any more than in Vietnam." Then, turning to the Nixon Administration's role, Lindsay went on to say: "I came here to speak of a city which has felt the full, crippling impact of military force -- a city that suffers each day destruction from our armed might. The Federal education bill has been slashed 25% so that more billions can be poured into death in Vietnam The streets are not clean enough because of our obsession with weaponry. You, the taxpayers of this city, send \$3 billion in tax money every year to fight an indefensible war in Southeast Asia. You send \$6 billion more every year to finance the continued growth of the military-defense empire. That means that \$9 billion of New York City money goes every year into the work of death. That kind of priority is insane and it is time we had the courage to say so. Our resources do not belong in Vietnam nor in a nuclear Maginot Line of our fantasies. The money belongs in the streets, in the homes and in the hopes of this city." As he left the stage to resounding applause, one man (wearing a Lindsay campaign button) yelled at the Mayor, "It was a great speech. No wonder Nixon doesn't want you." Lindsay smiled broadly.

The President's comment: "Henry -- Very statesmanlike!!"

(Incidentally -- by separate memo, and at the President's direction -- I am asking John Ehrlichman to put a freeze on the various kinds of "silly ventures" we've been asked to undertake in Lindsay's behalf.)

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

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July 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

This morning the President read in his news summary that CBS had given "noticeably little" time to his remarks on the occasion of the 30th Anniversary of the Executive Office. His comment to you was simply that we should note the fact that this was a "useless exercise" as far as news was concerned.

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Keogh
Mr. Klein
Mr. Ziegler

Chen

July 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

Ah, heartening news for a change -- and a glimmer of hope for eventual re-establishment of at least a semblance of respect for law and order on campus. This morning Pat Buchanan's summary of goings-on around the world highlighted the fact that eight college presidents in the New York area had surveyed the past year's campus rebellions and concluded by advocating "no amnesty for student lawbreakers and no negotiations under duress." Their report said in essence that violent and disruptive actions cannot be countenanced because they strike at the very heart of constructive dissent, academic freedom and due process in the accomplishment of reform -- all of which are the earmarks of a free university. There should be no negotiations of demands under duress; i.e. when personnel are detained or buildings occupied, it must be made clear to all that there can be no amnesty for civil or criminal lawbreakers.

Referring to the eight stalwarts who authored the report, the President said, "These are the types I should have in for a conference."

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

cc: Mr. Ehrlichman
Mr. Chapin

Chron

July 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Honorable William P. Rogers
Secretary of State

The President was especially interested in the attached "special report" written by Pat Buchanan. He wanted you to be sure to read it.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

Identical letter sent to Hon. Melvin R. Laird
Secretary of Defense