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December 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. NIDECKER

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Additional Expressions of Support of the
President ... To Be Presented During
His Scheduled December 9th Meeting
With Some 25-30 Congressmen

Reference: My one-page memorandum to you of December 4th --
same subject

I am attaching a third wire from the citizens of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. You will recall that the first wire listed 18,615 names of those supporting the President's peace plan and the supplement listed an additional 246 names. If you add this third wire of 217 additional names, you should come out with a total of 19,078 Lancaster supporters.

Attachment

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December 6, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Publication of Results of the CBS News
Survey

This is just a short memo to let you know that I got the 81% poll figure over to Dick Garbett before press time yesterday afternoon ... so it should be appearing in the December 8th issue of "Monday".

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December 5, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. STAN BLAIR

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

I'm glad to enclose with this note 10 American Flag pins. However, you may want to know that I ordered these myself -- out of pocket, although frankly I do expect the White House to pick up the tab eventually. If you need more, just call Tom Ryan at His Lordship Productions, Inc., 245 Seventh Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10001 (Area Code 212, 242-1410) ... and they will be glad to shoot a bundle down to you Air Mail Special. That's the way I did it.

Enclosures

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Meeting with the Tell It to Hanoi Committee
December 5, 1969
10:30 a.m. (10-15 minutes, including photo)

I. PURPOSE

Chairman Pat O'Hara requested this meeting on behalf of Committee members to report to you the results of the Committee's 4-week (post-November 3rd) campaign -- over 1 million signatures of support.

II. BACKGROUND

A. This is basically the same group which helped us on the Safe-guard issue. It was then called the Citizens Committee for Peace with Security ... with Bill Casey as Chairman, Pat O'Hara as Secretary, and Jack Mulcahy as Treasurer. Now, and since early October, it is called the Tell It to Hanoi Committee and Pat O'Hara is serving as Chairman. In October, they placed a full-page Tell It to Hanoi ad in 14 major newspapers -- most of them in the eastern United States. Just over 40,000 persons responded. Then, the day after your "pursuit for peace" speech the Committee sent to each of the aforementioned 40,000 persons a blank petition and a letter soliciting signatures of additional supporters. In less than 3-1/2 weeks they had received support pledges from more than 1 million persons.

B. Participants:

Mr. William J. (Pat) O'Hara

Republican - New York
attorney ... and Mulcahy's
lawyer.

Mr. William J. O'Hara, Jr.

Republican - the 26 year old son of Pat O'Hara ... a U.S. Army veteran and presently a second-year law student at Fordham.

Mr. Bradley Steinthal

Republican - New York business executive, about 37 years of age

Mr. Morris Leibman

Democrat - well-known Chicago attorney and outspoken patriot ... an exceptionally strong supporter of yours and one who has been very helpful to us over the past 10 months ... about 55 years of age.

Mr. Edward Breslin, Jr.

Democrat - Vice President of New York's Franklin National Bank ... about 37 years of age.

Mr. Arthur Gray, Jr.

Republican - New York stock broker with Rossman, Gray and Company (member, New York Stock Exchange) ... He and Lang Washburn ran Eisenhower's bandwagon in '52.

III. ACTIONS REQUIRED

- You will be called out of the UAC meeting at about 10:28 a.m.
- At your signal to Dwight, I will accompany the group into the Oval office.
- White House press photographers will be allowed into the Oval office about 2 minutes after the group enters.
- Pat O'Hara will report to you the results of mail and signed petitions thus far received.

IV. POINTS OF DISCUSSION

You may want to ask Pat O'Hara and the others about:

- Jack Mulcahy, Bill Casey and Vince Lombardi ... all of whom had planned to be at this morning's meeting.

- Their press conference held at 9:30 this morning at the Mayflower.
- The geographic regions which produced the greatest and least responses.
- Subsidiary Tell It to Hanoi committees throughout the nation.
- The Committee's plans in 1970.

Alexander P. Butterfield

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 5, 1969

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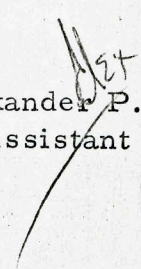
MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE VICE PRESIDENT

Reference: My December 3rd and 4th Memoranda
to You, Both Marked "Confidential/
Sensitive"

I am attaching to this memorandum a chronology of
Mylai press coverage and information as to how the
stories were handled.

This is the third and final item which I was instructed
to deliver to you prior to the close of business today.


Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachments

cc: Mr. Pat Buchanan

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 5, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

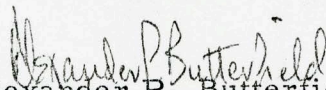
Honorable Clifford M. Hardin
Secretary of Agriculture

Subject: Air Travel to the Southeastern United States
by Members of the Cabinet

The President does not believe that any of his Cabinet members should be "instructed" to use either commercial or military aircraft when travelling on official business to and/or from the Southeastern region of the United States. He has said recently, however, that he considers it "highly desirable" that military aircraft be used for such travel in that area.

Travel for personal reasons is another matter entirely. If one prefers air transportation to other modes, the commercial carrier is the more popular choice due to the exorbitant (non-government) hourly rate for chartering a military plane.

In the case of your forthcoming trip, if I understand the itinerary, I would suggest travel via military aircraft at the official business (government) rate from here to the mid-West to Florida ... and commercial transportation at your own expense from Florida to Washington.


Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

December 5, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BULL

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

This is really just a stab at something a little warmer and a little more personal. Please give it the once over and check with someone -- perhaps Jim Keogh or Rose Mary Woods -- on the following points:

- Should we use the word "would" or "could" in the first line when we say "...if you would come to see us"?
- Should we say "plight", "predicament", "tragic situation", or what when we say in the first sentence "...to discuss the plight of our captured and missing American servicemen"?
- Should it be signed Richard Nixon, Richard M. Nixon, or what?

It is all yours. (I assume you have the new list of names and addresses.)
Let's get it out by 7:00 p. m. at the latest ... straightwire.

The wine

Enclosure

TO BE SENT AS A STRAIGHT WIRE FRIDAY, DEC. 5, 1969

Mrs. Nixon and I would be very pleased if you would come to see us at the White House at 10:00 A.M. next Friday, December 12th, 1969 to discuss the plight of our captured and missing American servicemen -- a matter in which both of us share fully your deep and constant concern. Because of the personal nature of this visit with you and some 20 other wives and mothers, no advance announcement is planned. Secretary Laird has informed me that your Service Casualty Assistance Office will be in touch with you within a day or two to see if you are going to be able to join us, and if so, to make whatever arrangements might be necessary.

RICHARD NIXON

December 5, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HIGBY
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: A Silent Majority Pin for Mr. Haldeman

I will try to obtain a sample "Silent American Majority" pin for Mr. Haldeman over the weekend, but at this point I can make no promises.

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December 5, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN BROWN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Your Action Memorandum to Me --
Log No. P-10

Please provide me by the close of business on Monday, December 8th, a copy of the Charles Brooks editorial cartoon which appeared in the November 26th issue of the Birmingham News.

Thank you.

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December 5, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Daily News Plan Critique and
Media Monitoring Report

Ron Ziegler's office failed to submit a report again today.

Monitors reported nothing in the newspapers or on television news shows justifying counter action.

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December 4, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

The following statements should answer the President's questions concerning the CBS survey:

- CBS performed the survey. No one else did it for them. They plan to do another just like it in January ... and every 3 months thereafter.
- It was a national random telephone survey of 1154 persons -- all over 21 years of age.
- The survey was done during the 3-day period November 23, 24 and 25.
- The nationwide percentage figures which I presented to you this morning under the "General" category (41% Good, 37% Fair, and 18% Poor) were really the averages of the Good, Fair, and Poor percentage figures for the 5 areas polled i.e. Vietnam, Inflation, Law Enforcement, Urban Problems, and Race Relations. It should have been listed after all 5 area polls and entitled "Average of Good, Fair, and Poor Responses Indicated Above".
- The 81% figure resulted from a completely separate question. It was: "Generally speaking, are you satisfied with Mr. Nixon as President?"
- I was unable to get all of the regional breakdowns for this question, but I do know that the highest "satisfaction" figure came from the "Southern States" and it was 86% as previously reported.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 4, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: CBS News Poll

CBS News just completed a nationwide telephone poll of some 1100 persons over 21 years of age. The results, as reported, appear below:

General

Nationwide: What kind of job do you think the President is doing, over all?

41% Good
37% Fair
18% Poor

Southern States: 86% of those polled expressed general satisfaction with the President's over-all performance.

Vietnam

Nationwide: What kind of job do you think the President is doing re Vietnam?

60% Good
28% Fair
10% Poor

Inflation

Nationwide: What kind of job do you think the President is doing re inflation?

36% Good
37% Fair
22% Poor

Law Enforcement

Nationwide:

What kind of job do you think the President
is doing re law enforcement?

40% Good

37% Fair

17% Poor

Urban Problems

Nationwide:

What kind of job do you think the President
is doing re urban affairs?

31% Good

42% Fair

18% Poor

Race Relations

Nationwide:

What kind of job do you think the President
is doing re race relations?

37% Good

37% Fair

22% Poor

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December 4, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. NIDICKER

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Additional Expressions of Support of the
President ... To Be Presented During
His Scheduled December 9th Meeting
with Some 25-30 Congressmen

Reference: My 2-page memorandum to you earlier in the day --
same subject

In addition to the items mentioned in the referenced memorandum, I am sending a large cardboard carton and a small red box, each filled with letters written to the Fort Lauderdale News. (At the bottom of the box there may well be some letters written to the Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel.) The total of all letters received by both papers was 7,500. Other statistics appear on the note which I taped to the cardboard box.

P.S. I have just received another wire which appears to be an addition to the wire sent over earlier from Lancaster, Pennsylvania. This second telegram bears 246 names and measures 3'10". If you add these figures to those of part one, you will get 18,861 names on a single wire 243' 10" long.

cc: Messrs. Klein
Nofziger
Ziegler
BeLieu
Timmons
Bull

December 4, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. STUART

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Bob Haldeman has read the attached report and approved my forwarding this copy to you for your consideration and comments.

He has approved also my recommendations #1, #2 and #3, but I will hold the final typing of the draft memorandum (recommendation #2 on page 4) until I hear from you.

Many thanks.

Attachment

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December 4, 1969

DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

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MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

...as of 11:15 A.M. daily,
except Sat. and Sun.

...covers past 30-hour period
Tues. thru Fri., and past
78-hour period on Mon.

I. DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

- A. Events programmed to be major White House news items Wednesday, each followed by reviews of coverage received.

The regular report on news play
was not rendered on this date.

II. MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

- A. Of 11 news publications and TV programs monitored regularly,* none reported information in a manner justifying counter action. (CBS News released the results of a nationwide telephone poll of some 1100 persons. It pertains to the manner in which the President is handling his job in a number of different areas ... and is the subject of a separate memorandum addressed to Mr. Haldeman.)

- B. Results of counter and/or follow-up actions previously reported:

Not applicable for this report.

*NBC, ABC, CBS Evening News; Merv Griffin and Tonight Shows; CBS Morning News; Today Show; NY Times; Washington Post; Time and Newsweek Magazines

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December 4, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. NIDECKER

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Telegrams, Resolutions and Petitions
in Support of the President ... To Be
Presented During His Scheduled
December 9th Meeting with Some 25-
30 Congressmen

It is my understanding that you already have in your office a number of petitions, resolutions, and telegrams of support for the President's Vietnam policies as outlined in his November 3rd "pursuit for peace" speech ... and that they are to be presented to the President separately by certain Senators and Representatives on the morning of December 9th. So that all of these pledges of support will be in one place, I am sending to you -- along with this memorandum -- the following items:

- 1 cardboard carton filled with newspaper coupons clipped from the Orlando (Fla.) Sentinel ... Congressman Cramer's district.
- 1 multi-page telegram from the "Support America Committee of Arkansas" which bears 2446 names ... Congressman Hammer-schmidt's district.
- 1 ad (2 full pages) concerning a message of support from the Silent Majority and bearing 750 names ... Senator Margaret Smith's state.
- 1 petition (wrapped in 3 separate brown paper packages) bearing the signatures of support of 25,269 persons ... Senator Dodd's state.

(Incidentally, you should check with Si Freidin in Senator Dodd's office for additional names which are a part of this one petition.)

- 1 telegram from the Denver area of Colorado which measures 555' in length and bears 20,066 names (double spaced) ... put together under the direct supervision of Jack Wogan, Denver County GOP Chairman, but you may want to pull in the Colorado Senator or Representative.

(If you want Wogan to appear as well, please call him, or call me and I will contact him.)

- 1 telegram from White Plains, New York measuring 300' in length and bearing 21,600 names (single spaced) ... from the Honor America Committee. You will have to decide on an appropriate state or district representative.
- 1 telegram from the citizens of Jackson and the western area of Tennessee measuring 18'6" in length and bearing 821 names ... You'll have to decide on an appropriate state or district representative.
- 1 telegram from the citizens of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania measuring 240' in length and bearing 18,615 names ... Congressman Ed Eshleman's district.

Steve Bull is in charge of the staging for this appointment. You can get together with him at your own convenience (but soon) on the working out of final details.

As you know, there is an almost immediate need for the final list of attendees. As soon as you have it, we would appreciate your passing on copies to the persons listed as information addressees to this memorandum.

Many thanks.

cc: Messrs. Klein
Nofziger
Ziegler
BeLieu
Timmons
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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 4, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MELENCAMP

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Written Responses to Mrs. James B. Stockdale (Sybil Stockdale)

Mrs. James B. Stockdale is the national coordinator for the National League of Families of American Prisoners in Southeast Asia. She called me by telephone last week (from Coronado, California) to say -- among other things -- that she had received no responses to a letter written to the First Lady around the latter-half of October and 2 telegrams sent to the President during the month of November. I explained to her that the White House had been deluged with mail for some time, most of it having been generated by the President's November 3rd "pursuit for peace" speech, and that she would soon receive replies in that every single card, letter, and wire sent to the President and/or the First Lady is acknowledged either by the President and/or the First Lady, or by a member of the White House Staff or an Administration official.

It appears now that Mrs. Stockdale will be one of the POW wives (and mothers) who will be invited to the White House to meet with the President and the First Lady in the Oval office at 10:00 a.m., Friday, December 12th. Therefore, I think it would be wise to locate the letter and 2 wires mentioned above so that when we invite her to the White House by telegram, as is now planned, we can refer to them with an appropriate line or 2 in addition to the standard "invitation material" which will be sent to the 21 or 22 others.

Incidentally, Mrs. Stockdale will probably be the spokesman for the group on December 12th. She has been extremely concerned over the "silence from the White House" ... and the fact that the President has "done so much for, and made so much of, the Apollo astronauts while our husbands, who are contemporaries of the astronauts and who have been every bit as brave and loyal over the years, receive not one word of acclaim."

cc: Mrs. Connie Stuart

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 4, 1969

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MEMORANDUM FOR: COLONEL HUGHES

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD *A*

RE: POW Wives and Mothers Scheduled to Meet
with the President and the First Lady on
December 12th

I know that Dick Capen and his people have worked hard to put together the package which you sent over yesterday afternoon -- and undoubtedly there are good reasons of which I am not aware for their having selected the wives and mothers listed but at first glance I noted these things:

- Two sets of parents are included.
- Only 4 enlisted men are represented (1 Air Force, 2 Army, and 1 Marine).
- The "demographic spread" names no one from the New England, Deep South, or Rocky Mountain-North Central Plains areas ... while it includes 4 persons from California, 3 from Florida, 3 from Virginia, and 2 from Washington.

Some points are negotiable but a final decision has been made that there will be no fathers among those invited ... so wives or mothers must be substituted for the 2 sets of parents. Secondly, there must be at least 1, and preferably 2, more enlisted men represented, without exceeding a total of 23 ladies. And finally, we want to grant the strong and oft-repeated request of Congressman Bill Brock that Mrs. Wayne Fullam of his district be included in the event. If in complying with these 3 stipulations you can remedy some of the demographic disparity so much the better, but we will not press that particular issue.

Dick Capen and someone in a similar position at State should be invited along with the ladies.

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We will assume full responsibility for telegraphing the Presidential invitations but we must have the revised list of proposed attendees no later than 3:00 p.m. Friday, December 5th.

Steve Bull is in charge of the staging for this appointment and at the present time we are thinking seriously of holding the meeting in the Cabinet Room. The disadvantage of this plan, however, is that those surroundings give one the immediate impression that "a meeting" is about to be held, and of course that is not the purpose of this session. It is merely "a call on the President" an opportunity for the wives and mothers to hear personally of his deep concern for their husbands and sons, of his steadfast efforts to secure a guarantee of fair and humane treatment for all prisoners, and of his dedication (and commitment) to bring an end to the Vietnam conflict.

After the meeting, the President will move to the Roosevelt Room to make a statement to the press, and it is planned now that the 3 wives which you indicated in your memorandum as being "suggested spokeswomen" (Pat Mearns, Sybil Stockdale, and Andrea Rander) will accompany him along with the First Lady. I personally would prefer that none of the women speak to the press on that occasion ... that they merely stand by the President while he speaks. And I think that when the President completes his statement and departs the Roosevelt Room the ladies should accompany him. (I have serious doubts about the wisdom of Sybil Stockdale speaking out while here in the White House. She has expressed in the past her great disappointment over what she terms a lack of concern on the part of the President, and in a recent telephone call to me she sounded almost bitter. I know further that many of the wives plan to demonstrate in front of the White House on Christmas eve or Christmas day, I am not sure which, and I am hoping that this session with the President will cancel out that plan.)

I think Connie Stuart is working on a short little session with the First Lady immediately following the attendees' departure from the West Wing perhaps a cup of tea and a short tour of the Residence. That portion of the event is up to her.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 4, 1969

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE VICE PRESIDENT

Reference: My December 3rd Memorandum to You
Marked "Confidential/Sensitive"

Along with this memorandum I am forwarding the following items:

- (1) A 33-page pamphlet entitled "Testimony of a City" It is essentially "the worst of the story of Hue".
- (2) A 3-page press release bearing no date but titled in red ink "Rundown on Hue Massacre/ Communists Admit to Cold-blooded Execution"
- (3) A 1-page fact sheet
- (4) A 2-page press release of November 18, 1969 entitled "School Children Numbered Among Victims of Hue Massacre"
- (5) A 3-page press release of May 3, 1969 entitled "Hue Graves Reflect Viet Cong's Indiscriminate Terror"
- (6) A 1-page press release of April 2, 1969 bearing no title
- (7) A 2-page press release by IPS correspondent, Joseph L. Dees, entitled "Communist Execution Victims at Hue Near the 2,000 Mark"

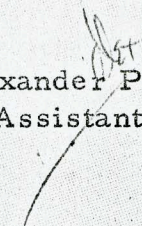
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- (8) A 2-page U.S. Mission in Vietnam press release of March 9, 1968 entitled "New Communist Executions Reported in Hue"
- (9) A large manila envelope containing 12 Hue atrocity photos
- (10) A large manila envelope containing 53 photos of atrocities not connected with the VC/NVN massacre at Hue

As I have mentioned to Stan Blair, I will need the photos back in my office when you have no further use for them.

The third and final item which I have been instructed to deliver to you prior to the close of business on Friday is a complete chronology of how the Mylai press stories were handled. That material is nearing completion and will be handcarried to your office tomorrow afternoon.


Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

cc: Mr. Pat Buchanan

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December 3, 1969

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE VICE PRESIDENT

I have been instructed to pass on to you the attached memorandum and fact sheet. I will get 2 more items into your hands before Friday: the complete chronology of how the My Lai press stories were handled, and the story of Hue (with accompanying photographs).

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachments

cc w/Atchs - Mr. Pat Buchanan

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December 3, 1969

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Mailing Lists

The President wanted me to pass on to you the fact that a Mr. Al Cole of Reader's Digest is a "mailing list expert" ... and that you may want to seek his advice from time to time while setting up our list. He went on to say that in his opinion it is essential, once a mailing list is established, that persons named be contacted at least 3 times a year.

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December 3, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARLOW
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Signed Photographs of the President for
GOP Congressmen

The President said to tell you that he will gladly sign photographs for all of the GOP Senators and Representatives who have made requests through your office. He said that he will hand-inscribe the message this time -- and that he wants to use the new photographs.

His final comment was that you shouldn't expect all of these to be done at once. He plans to do them "bit by bit" ... as he can get to them.

cc: Rose Mary Woods

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December 3, 1969

DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

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MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

...as of 11:15 A.M. daily,
except Sat. and Sun.

...covers past 30-hour period
Tues. thru Fri., and past
78-hour period on Mon.

I. DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

- A. Events programmed to be major White House news items for Tuesday, each followed by reviews of coverage received.

1. CONFERENCE ON FOOD, NUTRITION AND HEALTH

a. Newspapers:

Played as a prime story above the fold in all major national newspapers. Most stories centered around the President's remarks and included the day's activities at the Conference. Both stories and photos moved by AP, UPI "A" wire.

b. Television:

ABC	1:30 min.	Jarriel comment and film of the President's remarks
NBC	3:15 min.	Huntley comment with 1:15 min. of film of the President's remarks.
CBS	2:00 min.	Cronkite comment. Film of the President's remarks with a wrap-up by Cole.

2. THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO MANSFIELD AND SCOTT

a. Newspapers:

Played as the #1 story in many newspapers and above the fold in all national papers. It was usually run with an interpreted story on anticipated Congressional action on the tax reform bill. AP, UPI "A" wire.

b. Television:

ABC	1:15 min.	Reynolds comment
NBC	:30 min.	Huntley comment
CBS	2:00 min.	The #1 story. Cronkite comment. Film of Senator Gore.

3. MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF 87th CONGRESS

No major coverage noted.

B. The leading Administration news items were:

- The House's support of the President's Vietnam policies Played as front page news and often the #1 story in all major national news publications. Received comment on all network news shows with CBS giving major time to the story (using it as a promo for their hour-long Vietnam Special).
- Lapin's dismissal Received full page coverage and major attention in many national newspapers largely as a result of Lapin's press conference . . . and statement that he would "fight the President's action." No comment on network news shows.
- My Lai incident Again received major coverage in all media as a result of the Military Appeals Court's decision not to bar future news stories.
- Draft lottery Received wide coverage in newspapers and on radio and television . . . giving much attention to interviews with eligible draftees.

C. The leading over-all news items were:

- The President's speech at the Food and Nutrition Conference, Congressional support of the President's Vietnam policies, and the expected Senate vote re increase in tax exemption.

II. MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

- A. Of 11 news publications and TV programs monitored regularly,* none reported information in a manner justifying counter action. (Through the efforts of Herb Klein's office, CBS Morning News featured an interview with Governor Love, who generally supported Administration policies and gave high praise to the

*NBC, ABC, CBS Evening News; Merv Griffin and Tonight Shows; CBS Morning News; Today Show; NY Times; Washington Post; Time and Newsweek Magazines

President. He placed particular emphasis on the current meeting of the Governors here in Washington and said he thought it was especially nice of the President to invite the wives and children. Klein reports that Governor McCall of Oregon will appear on the Martin Agronsky show at 6:00 p.m. tonight.)

B. Results of counter and/or follow-up actions previously reported:

Not applicable for this report.

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December 3, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Reader's Digest -- Current Issue
(December 1969)

This is to inform you (and the President) of the editorial entitled "Patience" which appears on page 49 of the current issue of Reader's Digest. It is followed on page 53 by a Joe Alsop article entitled "The Viet Cong Is Losing Its Grip". (Editorial and Alsop article are attached.)

It was some 5-6 weeks ago that Hobe Lewis mentioned to me the fact that this material would be a part of his magazine's December format and I don't think I passed it on to you at the time.

The January issue will include a 5-6 page article entitled "In Vietnam -- A New Optimism" ... or something similar. The material will come primarily from 2 newspaper articles: one from the Washington Post by Roger Kiser; the other from the New York Times by Terrence Smith. Hobe believes that the article will go far toward broadening the Silent Majority's perspective on the Vietnam issue.

In the February issue he plans to print an article which highlights translated Hanoi radio broadcasts and reveals the aid and comfort our dissenters and "demonstrators" give to the other side. The story gives evidence of considerable Hanoi propaganda (most of it directed to South Vietnam) playing up the theme that the U.S. is on the verge of complete collapse.

I have asked Hobe if he will consider printing the report entitled "The Choice in Vietnam" which was published 2 months ago by the Tyroler-Washburn Committee (Citizens Committee for Peace with Honor in Vietnam). He said that he had read the report, liked it, and was giving serious thought to putting it in the March issue. I have let him know that we would very much favor his doing this and he has agreed to let me know as soon as the decision is made. (Meanwhile, I am going to see to it that 2500 copies of that report get distributed to college and university presidents and newspapers at Abbot Washburn's request.)

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December 3, 1969

Mr. Roger W. Dudley
Philatelic Research Corporation
450 West Broad Street, Suite 219
Falls Church, Virginia 22046

Dear Mr. Dudley:

My thanks again for dropping by the office the other day and, in the same breath, my apologies for taking so long to get back to you.

I have discussed the keytag idea with Mr. Haldeman and others and have decided not to make a purchase at this time. However, we hope that you will remain in close touch with us.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Enclosure

December 3, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Support for the President

- Jack Wogan's Positive People program is beginning to poop out at just over 20,000 signatures.
- The "Tell It to Hanoi" boys claim to have 2 million signatures in their mail room, but they admit that that is an estimation based on only a partial count.
- Ross Perot has finally come through with a figure. His exact words: "a minimum of 3 million coupons to date".
- The National Unity Week Committee, with Bob Hope serving as Honorary Chairman, claims "at least 100,000 signed coupons" so far ... with "thousands more coming in every day".
- The American Legion reports that signatures on the petitions its Posts have been circulating "number in the millions" ... and that the petitions are "literally flooding our offices".

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December 3, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Silent Majority Pin

In the interest of time I went ahead and selected for the "Silent American Majority" pin the design indicated below.

Probably due to the Christmas season, the manufacturer cannot crank them out in quantity in anything less than 10-14 days. However, I am riding them hard on a December 12th deadline.

The Christmas season will bury any concerted efforts on our part to promote this pin ... but I feel certain that it will catch on and spread soon after the first week in January.

Chron

December 3, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Past Clients of Sindlinger

I finally received the following information from Don Kendall's office.

- The investigation was made discreetly by a Dr. Shapiro, Pepsi's research chief.
- Shapiro discovered that Sindlinger
 - is headquartered in Philadelphia.
 - maintains a facility in New York City.
 - has been in business for approximately 15 years.
 - sends out a weekly newsletter.
 - is not syndicated.
 - has done several special studies for General Motors, Ford, Goodyear, and Scripps-Howard.
 - conducts most of its polls over the telephone.
 - does not "have the world's best reputation" ... and is considered by some as "unsavory".
 - has been known to take shortcuts in its research.

Although I have not seen the current issue of Newsweek, I have been informed by Don Kendall's secretary that Sindlinger is mentioned twice ... somewhere. (She didn't know the page numbers and neither of us had a current issue handy.)

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TENTATIVE GAME PLAN

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS PETITIONS
OF SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT BY
APPROXIMATELY 50 MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS

Description:

Presentation of citizens petitions of support for the President by approximately 50 members of the Congress ... in the President's office from 10:00 to 10:25 A.M., Tuesday, December 9, 1969.

Objective:

To highlight the nationwide support being given to the President's peace plan and to recognize that support by thanking the citizen participants through their elected representatives.

President:

25 minutes.

Press Coverage:

Congressmen will be gathered in the company of the President in the Oval office, or in the Roosevelt Room if the extra space is necessary. The White House photographer (Ollie Atkins) will quickly photograph each Congressional attendee presenting his petition or resolution to the President. Immediately afterward the White House press corps and photographers will be invited in while the President makes a brief statement of thanks to the entire group. -- Ziegler

Follow-up:

Immediate:

1. Make press conference facilities available for Congressional attendees after the session with the President

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(Roosevelt Room). -- Ziegler

2. Have Ollie Atkins print his pictures quickly. -- Ziegler
3. Have Bill Timmons and Ken BeLieu deliver prints of the pictures to the Senators and Representatives concerned for their eventual release to news services in their respective states. -- Timmons and BeLieu
4. Obtain from Bill Timmons and Ken BeLieu a complete list of all attendees so that it, and the purpose of the meeting with the President, can be inserted in the Congressional Record. -- Nofziger

Future:

1. Have Herb Klein mention the event and its significance at an appropriate near-future opportunity (press interview, speech, etc.). -- Klein
2. Have Dick Garbett insert the event as a news item in the next issue of the RNC's "Monday". -- Garbett

Project Manager -- Butterfield

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TENTATIVE GAME PLAN

PRESENTATION OF SIGNATURES OF SUPPORT
FOR THE PRESIDENT'S VIETNAM PEACE PLAN
BY THE "TELL IT TO HANOI" COMMITTEE

Description: Presentation of signatures of support for the President's Vietnam peace plan by the "Tell It to Hanoi" Committee ... in the President's office from 10:30 to 10:45 A.M., Thursday, December 11, 1969.

Objective: To highlight the nationwide support being given to the President's peace plan and to thank the citizen participants through officers and members of the "Tell It to Hanoi" Committee.

President: 15 minutes.

Press Coverage: Four or five officers and members of the "Tell It to Hanoi" Committee will meet in the Oval office with the President. Almost immediately the White House press photographers will be allowed in for the purpose of photographing the Committee President (William "Pat" O'Hara) presenting the signatures of support -- or replica thereof -- to the President. -- Ziegler

Follow-up: Immediate:

1. Make press conference facilities available in the Roosevelt Room immediately after the meeting for a quick session with the Committee President, "Pat" O'Hara. -- Ziegler

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Future:

1. Have Herb Klein mention the event and its significance at an appropriate near-future opportunity (press interview, speech, etc.). -- Klein
2. Have Dick Garbett insert the event as a news item in the next issue of the RNC's "Monday". -- Garbett

Project Manager -- Butterfield

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TENTATIVE GAME PLAN

MEETING WITH APPROXIMATELY 15 WIVES
OF U. S. PRISONERS OF WAR AND SERVICE-
MEN LISTED AS "MISSING IN ACTION"

Description: Meeting with approximately 15 wives of U.S. prisoners of war and servicemen listed as "missing in action" ... in the President's office from 10:00 to 10:30 A.M., Friday, December 12, 1969.

Objective: To demonstrate the President's deep concern for U.S. servicemen listed as "captured" and "missing", for the care and treatment they are receiving from their captors, and for their families here in the United States.

President: 30 minutes.

Press Coverage: The ladies (mostly wives, but some mothers) will meet with the President and Mrs. Nixon. Almost immediately the White House press photographers will be allowed in for photographs. After the Oval office discussions are over, the President and Mrs. Nixon, accompanied by the POW wives and mothers, will move across the hall to the Roosevelt Room where the President will make a statement to the press. Call the home town news services of ladies scheduled to be present so that they have the opportunity to come to the White House and cover the event. -- Ziegler

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Follow-up:

Immediate:

1. Have press conference facilities remain in place in the Roosevelt Room immediately following the departure of the President and First Lady so that a pre-designated spokesman for the group of POW wives and mothers can make a statement and possibly answer a few questions posed by press corps members present. -- Ziegler
2. If there is not a home town news service to cover each area represented by the attendees, insure that Ollie Atkins prints a sufficient number of appropriate photographs to cover mailings to all home town newspapers and major home state newspapers. -- Ziegler

Future:

1. Have Herb Klein mention the event and its significance at an appropriate near-future opportunity (press interview, speech, etc.). -- Klein
2. Have Dick Garbett insert the event as a news item in the next issue of the RNC's "Monday". -- Garbett

Project Manager -- Butterfield

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December 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Appointment Schedule

I have the following meetings scheduled for tomorrow -- Wednesday,
December 3rd:

- 12:55 Meeting in the President's office with Ralph DeToledano
- 1:00 Luncheon Meeting in the Staff Mess with Messrs. Rowley,
Eugene Rossides, and Boggs
- 5:30 P.O. Meeting in the Roosevelt Room

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December 2, 1969

DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

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MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

...as of 11:15 A.M. daily,
except Sat. and Sun.

...covers past 30-hour period
Tues. thru Fri., and past
78-hour period on Mon.

I. DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

- A. Events programmed to be major White House news items Monday, each followed by reviews of coverage received.

1. BOYS CLUB DINNER

a. Newspapers:

Excellent play in the society sections of local newspapers with photos taken at rehearsal.
Minor pick-up in national publications.

b. Television:

The story broke too late for inclusion on network news shows.

B. The leading Administration news items were:

- The draft lottery Played as the #1 article with photos in all major national newspapers. Because the story broke too late for coverage on network news shows, such programs did segments on the up-coming lottery draw. CBS carried the lottery live for 30 minutes.
- The Mylai story Continued to be the lead item on all television network news shows, undoubtedly a result of F. Lee Bailey's request that all future stories be banned. This was spurred by Life magazine's story and color pictures of the alleged incident. Most network news stations had film and comment on further aspects of this story. Newspapers also gave prominent play to Mylai, again a result of F. Lee Bailey's action.
- Food and Nutrition Conference Received minor advance play in newspapers and minor comment on network news shows.

C. The single leading news item:

- The draft lottery

II. MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

A. Of 11 news publications and TV programs monitored regularly,* none reported information in a manner justifying counter action.

B. Results of counter and/or follow-up actions previously reported:

Not applicable for this report.

*NBC, ABC, CBS Evening News; Merv Griffin and Tonight Shows; CBS Morning News; Today Show; NY Times; Washington Post; Time and News-week Magazines

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December 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: The Handling of Gifts Received for
The President and The First Lady

I have visited the Gift Unit in the Executive Office Building and reviewed current gift handling procedures. Findings and recommendations are outlined below.

- During the period January 20-November 20, 1969 the average number of gifts received each month for the President and/or Mrs. Nixon was about 600.
 - 375 for the President
 - 125 for both the President and Mrs. Nixon*
 - 100 for the First Lady
- Of the approximately 600 gifts received each month ...
 - roughly 500 (or about 85%) come by mail and are sent right away to the Gift Unit accompanied by all information necessary for proper handling and acknowledgment.
 - about 100 (or some 15%) are presented directly to the President and/or the First Lady here at the White House or away during a trip, or delivered to the Residence or to a White House office ... or in various other ways left eventually in the care of a Staff member. Of this category (again, approximately 100 gifts in the case of an average month):
 - 25% are sent to the Gift Unit promptly ... along with a note bearing all information

*Handled and acknowledged as gifts for the President

necessary for proper handling and acknowledgment.

- 50% are sent to the Gift Unit after some delay, and without sufficient information for handling and acknowledgment.
- 25% are sent after an appreciable delay, with no information whatever.

-- Thus, when problems arise they almost always concern gifts in this second (smaller) category -- i.e. those left in the care of Staff members. As indicated, roughly 75% of them are delivered to the Gift Unit with something less than efficiency and dispatch ... and that percentage figure represents about 12-13% of all gifts received.

-- Information which should accompany each item delivered to the Gift Unit:

- (1) Name and address of the individual and/or group presenting the gift
- (2) Identification of the person who actually accepted the gift (e.g. The President, Ambassador Mosbacher, Mr. Chapin, Mrs. Stuart)
- (3) Whether or not the gift has been acknowledged, to some degree at least ... and if so, whether or not it requires further acknowledgment.

— Once each week (but on no particular day) a list of recently received gifts for the President is sent to Rose Mary Woods. This is done not only to keep the President informed, but to give him opportunities to see some of the gifts, and possibly to request their temporary or permanent relocation in his office, in the Residence, or elsewhere. Slightly more often than once each week Mrs. Nixon receives a similar list for the same purpose. It is sent directly to her ... with a carbon copy to Bessie Newton.

- Gifts are held in the Gift Unit offices until
 - The information necessary for proper acknowledgment and orderly storage (mentioned above) has been received
 - Letters of acknowledgment have been written, signed and mailed
 - The President and Mrs. Nixon have had ample opportunity to see gifts of particular interest
 - A sufficient number of gifts have accumulated to fill the various-sized boxes kept on hand for packing and crating. This could take 6-8 weeks or more in that the Gift Unit separates and boxes or crates gifts by category. Major categories are:
 - Books
 - Paintings (always packed and crated with special care)
 - Miscellaneous, for the President
 - Miscellaneous, for the First Lady
 - From Heads of State
 - Pre-Inaugural
 - Archives Items (usually strictly personal, and not really gifts per se ... e.g. an old tie clasp or set of cufflinks previously but no longer worn by the President, a fountain pen, a desk clock or calendar, a letter opener, etc.)
- Letters of acknowledgment are thoughtfully and well written.
- Gifts are well packed and crated -- and specially packed when required -- by a GSA carpenter (on call from another EOB office) prior to their shipment to the National Archives for storage. A truck and crew from the Archives effect the transfer from the EOB.
 - To date, in 10 separate shipments, the Gift Unit has sent to the Archives just over 6,000 gifts in some 180 packing boxes, some of which have measured 20 feet on a side. (Gifts to the President and the First Lady, like letters, are increasing noticeably year after year.)

- Each gift is logged on a manifest prior to shipment from the Gift Unit offices to the Archives.
- The Gift Unit has operated from 3 different office areas during this Administration. It is the supervisor's estimation that each of the 2 moves has put the Unit's operation behind 7-10 days.
 - Although the present location of the Gift Unit offices (the fourth floor of EOB) provides very little extra space for gift handling and temporary storage, it is adequate.
- Seven persons are assigned to the Gift Unit but only the supervisor and her 2 senior assistants are on the White House payroll.

Supervisor	...	GS-11	...	White House payroll
Assistant	...	GS-9	...	White House payroll
Assistant	...	GS-6	...	White House payroll
Assistant	...	GS-6	...	DoD (AF) payroll
Assistant	...	GS-5	...	P.O. payroll
Assistant	...	GS-5	...	GSA payroll
Assistant	...	GS-4	...	F.P.C. payroll

Recommendations

It is recommended that:

1. You sign the short memorandum at Tab A reassuring the President that the Gift Unit is adequately supervised and that gifts received for him and the First Lady are handled in a generally efficient and very conscientious manner.
2. You approve the draft memorandum at Tab B encouraging Staff cooperation in this matter.
3. Throughout the coming year, the Gift Unit remain in its present location with its currently assigned personnel strength.
4. A copy of this report be sent to Mrs. Stuart, Staff Director to Mrs. Nixon, for consideration and comments.

Attachments

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December 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: H. R. HALDEMAN
RE: The Handling of Gifts for the President
and First Lady

Alex Butterfield has completed a one-day study of the EOB office responsible for the proper handling and storage of gifts personally presented or sent through the mail to you and/or the First Lady. His findings indicate that the Gift Unit is adequately supervised and that gifts received are acknowledged and stored in a generally efficient and conscientious manner. A copy of Alex's report has been sent to Connie Stuart and her comments will be carefully considered.

DRAFT

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE WHITE HOUSE STAFF

RE: The Handling of Gifts for the President
and the First Lady

On April 30th, 1969, a memorandum was sent to members of the White House Staff concerning gifts received by or for the President and/or the First Lady, and the procedures for insuring their proper acknowledgment and orderly storage. Despite circulation of that memorandum, some 12% of all such gifts received -- and approximately 75% of gifts placed in the care of Staff members -- are delivered to the Gift Unit offices so long after their initial receipt or presentation as to render acknowledgment embarrassing ... or so poorly documented as to require extra time and effort obtaining the necessary information.

Your noting and complying with the few simple procedures outlined below will be greatly appreciated.

When a gift for the President and/or
the First Lady is placed in your care:

- Type or write clearly on a piece of paper the name and address of the individual and/or the group presenting the gift.

- Identify the person who actually accepted the gift.
- Indicate whether or not the gift has been acknowledged in any fashion whatever . . . and if so, whether or not in your opinion it requires further (written) acknowledgment.
- Have the gift handcarried directly, without undue delay, to Mrs. Lucy Ferguson, Supervisor of the Gift Unit office -- Room 488 (4th floor), EOB.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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December 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Newspaper Advertisements Supporting
the President

Bill Brinton's full-page ad -- essentially a long list of questions and answers which "the New Mobilization Committee and its followers seem to have overlooked" -- is scheduled to appear in the Washington Post and the San Francisco Chronicle on Sunday, December 7th. It will be sponsored by the Tell It to Hanoi Committee.

I have mentioned several times that there are literally thousands of local "support the President" activities in progress throughout the nation. Naturally we will never know about most of them, but here -- for your review and that of the President -- is a copy of the American Legion's full-page ad being run almost continually in its various state and regional newspapers. Please note as well the 2 articles on the front page of this particular newspaper published in Atlanta, Georgia.

Attachment

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December 2, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: My November 18th Memorandum to
Members of the Cabinet Concerning
Termination of a Weekly Report
(Attached)

The attached memorandum was written at the request of Jeb Magruder who had on file all of the "weekly reports" previously submitted by members of the Cabinet. Both he and I discussed the wisdom of my writing such a memorandum and I checked the matter personally with Herb Klein's office. I reviewed the Whitaker-Magruder file in the company of Margita White, and she assured me that she receives on a regular basis precisely the same information from the same sources.

However, I had not checked the matter with John Ehrlichman or Ken Cole ... but have since receipt of your written response (November 20th). Ken confirmed the fact that the report was duplicatory and of no use to him.

Attachment

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December 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Appointment Schedule

I have the following meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Tuesday,
December 2nd:

12:30 In the President's office with Christian Herter, Jr.
(10 minutes)

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December 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Carl Wallace

We are referring the attached telegram to the
Department of Defense for whatever action
Secretary Laird deems appropriate.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

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December 1, 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Silent Majority Pin

Ross Perot has now made it clear that he is "not interested in backing the manufacture and distribution of a Silent Majority pin." He believes, despite what I have told him, that the "Silent Majority" phrase is passee and that any of his resources which are expended for pins, buttons, bumper stickers, decals, etc. should emphasize a theme which will best serve the long-term objectives and that theme (for Ross) is "United We Stand". He has already had something like 1 million bumper stickers made and the same approximate number of decals. Both feature white stars on a blue field and red and white stripes. The only words which appear are "United We Stand". A lapel pin is being designed along the same lines, and he expects that it will be ready for distribution within a week from today.

I will stay on this project and give it more time today and tomorrow than I have in the past. Someone somewhere should be willing to go along with supporting what we have in mind.

Meanwhile, a young group led by a New York friend of Steve Bull has put out several thousand Silent Majority buttons ... which look like this:

I mentioned this project (they're doing this with money they make waiting tables) to the President during the trip down to Key Biscayne and he was all in favor of our working out some sort of subsidy for their effort, and that is in the mill. (Incidentally, Perot did agree to distribute these Silent Majority buttons in the kits which he ships to all individuals, clubs and groups indicating a desire to start subsidiary United We Stand committees.)

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December 1, 1969

DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

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MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

...as of 11:15 A.M. daily,
except Sat. and Sun.

...covers past 30-hour period
Tues. thru Fri., and past
78-hour period on Mon.

I. DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

- A. Events programmed to be major White House news items Friday, Saturday and Sunday, each followed by reviews of coverage received.

The regular report on news play over the weekend was not rendered on this date.

II. MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

- A. Of 11 news publications and TV programs monitored regularly,* none reported information in a manner justifying counter action.

- B. Results of counter and/or follow-up actions previously reported:

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