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January 19, 1970

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. COLSON

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Paul Bradley is taking the shuttle down from New York sometime tomorrow morning ... presumably on some business of his own here in the Washington area. He said that "while here" he would like very much to discuss with us some matters relative to the People-to-People program. I am sure that one of his objectives is to learn where he stands in our evaluation of prospective PR directors.

I am going to put him off because I do not feel that I can (or should) take the time to chew the fat. I don't want to send him your way unless you want to talk to him, or feel that we owe him now a straightforward statement as to his status. Please give me a call.

(Bradley's curiosity brings to mind our obligation to get word back to all of those we interviewed regarding their status. I don't think we have to do this today or tomorrow .. or even this week, but we should not keep them on the hook any longer than we have to.)

cc: Mr. Magruder
Mr. Nofziger

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January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. TOM LIAS
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Proposed Letter to Mr. John F. Sheehan

Now that you know that Mr. Sheehan is the Nassau County Chairman of the National Conservative Party, I leave to your judgment -- or to that of Harry Dent -- the decision "to write or not to write". It is a fact that Mr. Sheehan did quite a bit to organize public support for the President and I cannot see that a short note from your office would do any harm. I had in mind something along these lines:

"Mr. John F. Sheehan
739 Lakeside Drive
Baldwin, New York 11510

"Dear Mr. Sheehan:

"This is just a short note to thank you most sincerely for your leadership in past and present activities aimed at generating public support for the President. Mr. Butterfield told us about the highly successful Nassau County rally you organized last fall and for that effort we are particularly grateful.

"With best regards I remain,

Yours truly, "

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January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BUCHANAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Peace Corps Poster

Many thanks for bringing the inappropriately designed Peace Corps poster to our attention. The attached papers will explain what has transpired as a result.

Bob Haldeman saw the poster and is aware of these actions.

Attachments

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January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Dr. James Turpin

From what little I know about Dr. James Turpin, we should not think about trying to use him to the Administration's advantage. You can learn more, I think, by checking this with John Holdridge on the NSC Staff ... but be certain to tell Holdridge to keep the reason for your inquiry under his hat.

Operation Concern has been going for some time now and Turpin has been a thorn in some people's sides.

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January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HIGBY
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Chotiner's Undated Confidential Memo
to Bob Haldeman

Thanks for forwarding the subject memorandum. Yes, the Cabinet contacts would be in my bailiwick normally ... but for purposes of lining up the Executive Department heads for speeches and other public appearances, Herb Klein is the man. What's more important, however, is the fact that Harry Dent had not been consulted. I have talked to him on the telephone and he is going to give Murray a good thorough rundown on who does what to whom.

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January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: The President's Council on Physical
Fitness and Sports

It is my understanding that in a December 19th memorandum to the President the Vice President recommended abolition of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. Harry Dent makes the urgent request that we not go along with the recommendation. He says that a recently-issued Executive Order expanded the size of this Council so that we would be able to honor with membership an increased number of the President's friends in the sports world. Harry goes on to say that a list of about 100 names of prospective members has been prepared ... and that abolition of the Council would be a severe blow to our patronage plans.

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January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MELENCAMP
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Letters for the President's Signature

Can you tell me if the following persons received Presidential letters acknowledging their support of his Vietnam policy:

Mrs. Richard Henry of Victorville, California -- representing a number of POW wives and wives of USAF pilots based in Southeast Asia

Rear Admiral John Pratt, USN Retired, of the Washington, D.C. area.

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January 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Plans for The Washburn Committee

In response to your recent query as to where we stand in our plans for setting up a permanent staff and an annual operating fund for the Washburn Committee, I must report no progress since my memorandum advising of Clem Stone's "promise" to provide whatever amount we felt would do the trick on the condition that we outlined our concept of the scheme to his son-in-law, Dave Bradshaw. Chuck Colson tried to get ahold of Bradshaw just as the Christmas season got underway, but to no avail. Bradshaw has now returned from a 2-3 week period in Acapulco and Chuck will resume his efforts to make contact. He has spoken to Bradshaw on the telephone and only this morning had breakfast with Tom Evans who offered to assist from the sidelines. Chuck understands the urgency of the matter and will push for a meeting with Bradshaw before the end of this week.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 17, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Subject: Change in the Vice President's Arrival Time

The Vice President's arrival time at Andrews Air Force Base has been changed from 6:00 p. m. to 5.00 p. m. ... on Monday, January 19th.

Alexander P Butterfield
Alexander P Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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January 17, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: News Summary Fiasco

I checked out the details of the fiasco surrounding the delivery to the President of last Wednesday's news summary within an hour after you mentioned it to me but somehow I am only ^{now} getting around to providing you the information. Perhaps you've learned all there is to know already; but if not, here it is:

- Mort Allin completed the summary around 11:00 p. m. Tuesday evening. He learned that the first vehicle going up to Camp David was scheduled to leave at 6:00 a. m. the following morning with a group of Secret Service agents; so he left the news summary in the Correspondence Section of EOB and directed the White House Garage to pick it up there and take it to the Secret Service room, W-16, in the West Wing Basement.
- Someone in the Correspondence Section put the news summary in an envelope, sealed it, and wrote on the front "For the President".
- A driver from the White House Garage picked up the envelope around midnight and delivered it to W-16.
- The next morning the envelope was taken up to Camp David with the Secret Service detail. It was David Grant (I believe) who handed the envelope to Manolo at about 7:30 a. m.
- Manolo placed the envelope in the President's bedroom.

I have made it crystal clear to both Art Godfrey and Bob Taylor (Art only because I was unable to get ahold of Bob Taylor when I was in the

midst of tracking down this information) that no matter where the President is at the time, or what conditions prevail (short of an obvious emergency), no printed matter whatever and no packaged items which might possibly contain printed matter, are to be delivered to the President by a member of the Secret Service. I told both of them that such items are to be delivered only to the Military Aide on duty, and in cases where there is none, a radio or phone call to the Aide -- or alternatively to you, me, Chapin or Bull (in that order) -- would resolve the matter. I have not yet spoken to Manolo but when he returns from Camp David I will ensure his understanding of the procedure whereby he delivers nothing to the President or to the President's room which is not given to him by the Aide on duty ... or by you or me.

I had gone so far as to draft a short memorandum to Bob Taylor outlining this policy, but decided against sending it when I learned that the agent did not himself give the item to the President. I can see very easily how this particular delivery evolved, and really, Manolo is the fellow to talk to. Everyone else understands that official business and other reading matter for the President flows from the Staff to you or me (and alternatively, but only in rare cases, to Chapin and Bull) and then to the President directly, or to the President via the duty Aide.

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January 17, 1970

Mr. Steven Martini
4409 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Steve:

Every person whose normal business requires his free access to the White House and/or the Executive Office Building must complete the U. S. Civil Service Commission's Standard Form 86, entitled "Security Investigation Data for Sensitive Position". It took 2-3 days for me to plow through mine, so I know what a chore it can be; nevertheless, I will need the information requested by January 30th at the latest.

If you know someone who can type it up for you, please have them prepare an original plus 2 copies; otherwise, you can simply write or print the information on one of these forms and I will have the typing done here in my office.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Enclosure

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January 16, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Preparation of Game Plans

The attached memoranda (especially the one dated June 27th and the comments and questions written in the margin) should serve as excellent guides to the general preparation of future game plans.

Attachments

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January 16, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: A Plan to Permit Monitored Government
Use of Certain Facilities of the Western
White House Complex

As I mentioned to you in an earlier memorandum, I have discussed this matter with both Don Hughes and Jack Brennan -- the latter having been designated "project officer". An outline of actions to date appears below:

- The arbitrary decision was made that only Building B (including the Staff mess and kitchen), the beach house, the helipad and access roadways would be made available for Government groups and agencies.
- Organizations concerned were notified of the plan and discussions ensued with representatives of each.
 - The Coast Guard foresaw no problems to the development of a workable plan.
 - The White House Communications Agency foresaw no problems, although it may be required to furnish one extra man for the Western White House switchboard, currently manned only during daylight hours. (Message Center facilities would not be accessible to using groups.)
 - The Secret Service foresaw no problems and requested only that its White House office be furnished complete lists of attendees 48 hours prior to planned conferences or other functions.
 - The Marine Corps foresaw no problems whatever.

- The GSA foresaw no insurmountable problems but pointed out the fact that there would be some additional costs involved in operating and maintaining the buildings and in keeping one extra building custodian in San Clemente. (It (GSA) agreed that the preparing and serving of food could be done by any one of several reputable caterers in the San Clemente-San Juan Capistrano area.

Current planning calls for:

- Using agencies furnishing their own transportation to and from (and within) the Western White House complex.
- Groups being scheduled from the Office of the Military Assistant to the President ... in precisely the same manner as groups are now scheduled into Camp David.
- Policy guidance (when necessary) coming from you.
- The locally-based USCG commanding officer serving as facility commander ... and responding to our requests in the same manner that the Camp David commander now responds. (The present USCG officer-in-charge is a lieutenant (j.g.), which some might think is a bit junior for one assigned to deal frequently with senior military and civilian dignitaries; but I think it depends entirely on the man.
- A March 1st opening date.
- A meeting at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 20th, in the Shelter Conference Room to discuss, and hopefully agree on, appropriate criteria for use of the facility.
- A near-future meeting to discuss, and hopefully agree on, appropriate ways of announcing this plan.

I recommend that I remain close to the evolution of this plan and keep you abreast of developments. I have no personal objections to the way things are going now, but feel that I will know a good deal more after next Tuesday's meeting.

Chron

January 16, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. COLSON
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: VFW Request

I hate to pass on a project to anyone who is as snowed as you are now . . . but this one involves a VFW request and it can be most appropriately handled from your office.

Thank you.

Attachment

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January 16, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HIGBY
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Dick Moore

When Bob spoke to me this morning he confirmed the fact that he wants to see Dick Moore when he returns to Washington next week. I assume that you are lining up the appointment in accordance with my previous memo.

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January 16, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Pictures in the EOB

I have just received your January 14th memorandum concerning pictures in the EOB ... and my delay (for nearly a month) in getting certain information back to the President.

I remember precisely what the President said when he spoke to me about this and there was no request for a report back -- only a clear directive that action be taken. Whereas I am not in the habit of dragging my feet ever (especially on a matter of expressed priority interest to you or the President) I did in this case adhere to the President's word of caution that a sweeping order to bring down all pictures of past Presidents -- coming on the heels of his December 24th "walk-through" -- might well be taken as "Presidentially-directed".

There are 2 parts to the project: (1) Discreetly institute the proper "picture policy" ... and ensure that its merits (indeed its justification) are clearly understood by all personnel in the Executive Office of the President, especially GS employees on the White House Support Staff; and (2) Assign one of our own people to every support office, or in some other way set up a system which will ensure across-the-board loyalty of White House Support Staff personnel even if it is necessary to "abolish all offices and start over from scratch." The first half of the project -- admittedly the easiest half -- was begun with my own "walk-through" the EOB offices on January 1st, less than 48 hours after the President's departure for San Clemente. It was completed on January 14th, just 13 days later. The second half of the project is just beginning -- and will not be done overnight. I am looking at personnel files now, and when I finish I will recommend to you 1 or 2 possible courses of action that is, unless you want to stay out of it entirely and give me a full rein.

Finally, let me say that it was only this past Tuesday when I first learned from you that the President was asking for a progress report on this subject. On Wednesday I reported to you by memorandum that I would have a rundown for you today (January 16th). In that I did not hear from you, I assumed that schedule was satisfactory; then came your note expressing impatience, itself delayed by a day and a half.

A written report to the President is attached.

Attachment

January 16, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Sanitization of the EOB

Recalling your word of caution to me that a sweeping order to take down from EOB walls all pictures of past Presidents -- coming on the heels of your December 24th walk-through -- might well be taken as "Presidentially-directed", I did not move on this project until after your departure for San Clemente. However, on New Year's day I made my own inspection of EOB offices occupied by White House Support Staff personnel and less than a week later spoke to Bill Hopkins about general policy on the matter, his views, etc. I couched my pitch to Hopkins in terms of my surprise discovery ... i.e. learning that civilian government employees, unlike military personnel, do on occasion display pictures of past commanders or commanders-in-chief on (Federal) office walls. I took time to elaborate on the fact that the taking down of pictures of former chiefs, in offices or other official business environments, is only a gesture of common courtesy to new chiefs -- a gesture of "pledged loyalty" ... with no disrespect whatever intended for those who have served and moved on. Bill Hopkins knew all of this, of course, so was naturally understanding of the position I was taking. I asked him to make a detailed check (not telling him of my earlier check) ... which he did prior to your return to Washington. Here is a recapitulation of results:

- Of 35 large and small offices occupied by White House Support Staff personnel, 6 displayed photographs of one or more former Presidents ... in addition to your own.
- 27 offices (including the 6 mentioned above) displayed your picture.
- 8 offices displayed no pictures of U.S. Presidents.

-- The office which you mentioned to me specifically -- the one in which you noticed 2 pictures of President Kennedy -- is supervised by Edna Rosenberg, a civil servant at the GS-9 level, who has the distinction of having served on the White House Staff longer than anyone else 41 years this coming March 7th. I have checked her file very carefully and found that the House Committee on Un-American Activities, the Civil Service Commission's Bureau of Personnel Investigation, the State Department and its Passport Office, the CIA, the Secret Service, and the FBI have all rendered continual reports to the effect that she is a "completely loyal American whose character, reputation, and associations are above reproach." Born in 1902 here in Washington, D. C., she has remained single all of these years, and lives now with a sister (Miss Janette Rosenberg) in Silver Spring, Maryland.

--- One of the Kennedy pictures bore a personal inscription of good wishes to the personnel of that office, and undoubtedly for that reason had been retained and displayed by those who work there.

-- Using to best advantage the fact that your new official photographs have just been printed and made accessible to Federal offices and employees, I instructed Bill Hopkins to see to it that every office supervisor received one and in the process of hanging it on the wall took all others down ... "in accordance with normal policy".

-- On January 14th the project was completed and all 35 offices displayed only your photograph.

The second half of this project -- i. e. to ensure across-the-board loyalty of all White House Support Staff personnel even if we find it necessary to "abolish current office arrangements and start over from scratch" -- is underway; but I cannot yet report results. I am in the process of screening personnel records and within 2-3 days will be ready to suggest possible courses of action to Bob Haldeman.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 15, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Subject: Arrival Ceremony for The Vice President

The Vice President will return from his Asian-Pacific tour at 6:00 pm. on Monday, January 19th.

A welcoming ceremony will be held at planeside on the Andrews Air Force Base flight line -- and will be covered by live television.

We are asking Cabinet members and their wives, and others who will comprise the official reception committee, to arrive no later than 5:50 p. m.

Thank you.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 15, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Subject: Cabinet Meeting

The President plans tentatively to hold a Cabinet Meeting at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 30th.

In that all members have yet to be gathered under the same roof at the same time, we are hoping for 100 percent attendance and an opportunity at the end of the meeting to take a photograph.

Please understand that this schedule is only tentative. I will inform you as soon as a time and date are confirmed.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

January 15, 1970

Larry:

I have passed Bob's message to Dick Moore. He will be back in Washington, D.C. next Thursday and Friday (Jan 22 and 23) and would hope to see Bob on Friday at 10:00 a.m. If this looks reasonable you might put it down as a tentative appointment; otherwise, leave the appointment open and we can play it by ear after Dick checks in with us.

Alex

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January 15, 1970

Mr. V. William Tompkins
6606 Walnut Ridge Road
Dayton, Ohio 45414

Dear Mr. Tompkins:

This is just a short note to let you know that Herb Klein passed on to me a copy of the December 23rd WHIO editorial -- the one on New Youth Activism which mentions your commendable signature-collecting project. It is always gratifying for those of us here on the White House Staff -- and for the President, of course -- to learn of such efforts as yours, and we look forward to receipt of the huge support petition.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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January 15, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MELENCAMP
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: "Tell It to Hanoi" Members

I am attaching to this memorandum the names of 91 college and university student body Presidents who have signed YAF's "Tell It to Hanoi" petition. You may have seen the list already ... but if not, please see to it that we transpose the names to our tapes.

Many thanks.

Attachment

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January 15, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Silent American Majority Support
(Information Only)

I have just received the names of 91 college and university student body Presidents who have signed "Tell It to Hanoi" petitions ... petitions which call upon the Hanoi government to:

- Renounce military victory in the South.
- Agree to negotiate cease-fire under international supervision.
- Agree to free elections in South Vietnam under international supervision.
- Declare that it will abide by the political decision that results from free elections, and renounce (as we have) all military bases in the South.
- Support the right of the South Vietnamese to determine their own future without outside interference.

All of the names are being transposed to our tapes ... along with other supporters.

Incidentally, Pat O'Hara reports that his "Tell It to Hanoi" Committee in New York still receives an average of 200 letters per day -- each containing long lists of petition signers -- and Bill Casey reports that the Citizens Committee for Peace with Security is standing by to assist whatever Safeguard efforts might be necessary in the coming months.

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January 14, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Status of Special Projects and Other Work
Items Since Last Report

1. Get Washburn Committee Report, "The Choice in Vietnam", published in the Reader's Digest -- Hobe Lewis has decided against the publication of this report in any future issue of the Reader's Digest. That decision will not matter, however, if we are successful in our current efforts to provide financial backing (and a permanent staff) for the Committee for once this is done the Committee can undertake a mass mailing of the report.
2. Special Film -- Tim Babcock is having several copies made and will give me one of them to keep here in my office. As I may have told you, the President indicated a desire to see the film ... but not until David and Julie are available (here at the White House or at Camp David) to join him. Meanwhile, Tim is going to air the film over his TV station at Helena and have a survey done immediately afterward to measure public opinion. He will send the results to me, and I will pass them on to you.
3. Film Entitled "A Timetable for Vietnam" -- Larry mentioned in a late-December memo that you would like for me to obtain this film and make it available for one or more showings here in the White House theater. I have done this and can have the film set up anytime you say. It is a color film, 55 minutes in length, narrated by Charles Collingwood ... featuring "Vietnamization". For your further information, 143 prints have been made and shipped to nearly all parts of the world. In those countries where CBS has not reserved film rights, USIA will be the sponsor.

4. Films for the President and the First Family -- Just prior to the President's departure for San Clemente, I mentioned to Dwight that I would be glad to look into this subject and remedy whatever discrepancies I found. Since that time, however, I have received a memorandum from Don Hughes which tells of his proposal to have all responsibilities relating to Presidential movies placed in the Office of the Military Assistant ... and your acceptance of that plan. As long as everything is under control, I will step out of the middle of this one and, along with you, merely monitor the efficiency of the new system.
5. Contact Mr. Gantkowski (Pepperdine College) -- This request came to me from your office while you were still at San Clemente ... the purpose being to get Gantkowski off your back. I gave him a call and, without realizing it, established great rapport. He simply wanted to line up a speaker for Pepperdine's 12th annual forum on "great issues", scheduled for April 20 and 21. I took what information was necessary and passed it on to the Speaker's Bureau at the RNC. They have since spoken to Gantkowski and as far as I know everyone is happy and things are on track.
6. Books for H -- Either Larry or Pat called this request in to me from San Clemente. I relayed it to Elmer and I assume the books (both pertaining, as I recall, to Presidential power) are in your hands.
7. Make Arrangements for Manolo to "Take Charge of Tim" -- I have spoken to Manolo about Tim's care and treatment and the general procedures which are now followed. He said that he and the President had discussed the matter and that he (Manolo) had worked out a slight modification to the previously followed procedures and wished that nothing be done until next Monday ... the purpose being to give his new procedures a chance to work. Frankly, I cannot tell you precisely what it was that he was explaining to me, but I do know that it seemed important to him that there be no new arrangement until this coming Monday.
8. The Sanitization of the EOB -- This program is underway and will be the subject of a separate memorandum for the President no later than Friday, January 16th.
9. Use of the Western White House Facility As A Government Conference Center -- I have been in touch with Don Hughes and Jack Brennan and will submit my recommendations, as requested, on Friday, January 16th.

10. Bud Wilkinson's Request That He Be Relieved of Responsibility for Religious Services at The White House -- I have talked over the matter with both Bud Wilkinson and Connie Stuart. Connie is amenable to taking full charge and she will be getting together with Bud probably before the end of the week. At any rate, planning and programming for the next 2 religious services will be Connie's responsibilities ... with Bud merely "standing by" to advise and/or assist. After that, Bud will have no more to do with the event.
11. Cabinet Meetings (In General) -- I received your answers to the questions I posed in my recent memorandum to the President concerning Cabinet meetings and Cabinet membership. I understand that henceforth the agendas for normal Cabinet meetings should outline a 90-minute program ... and that Dwight should allow for a good 2 hours on the President's schedule. With regard to your suggestion that we go ahead with plans for a "late January" meeting, I am going to propose once again that it be scheduled on January 30th. Dwight agrees that that is the best day. Within a few days I will forward to the President a proposed (90-minute) agenda which will include recognition of Arthur Burns' service and presentation to him of his Cabinet chair.
12. Dick Moore -- One of the parties to the legal proceedings which have involved Dick Moore (and kept him from committing himself to a specific course of action) has made it clear recently that settlement will not come for at least another 6 months. This turn of events sort of crystalizes his position. Although he doesn't say so, I know that he doesn't relish the idea of walking out on his partners and his clients. But he puts it this way: "Alex, tell Bob and John that it's up to you fellows. If you think I should come onto the Staff now I'll talk to my partners and to Bob Hope or his business agent. I just hate to keep this thing on a string. I'll do whatever you fellows want." Dick is here in Washington, D. C., staying at the Metropolitan Club (Tel. 298-7500). He would like to see you, if only for 5-10 minutes, and can be reached this afternoon through Bob Finch's secretary. Tomorrow and Friday morning he can be reached at the Metropolitan Club.
13. Move the Secret Service From The Panelled Wall Office on the Ground Floor of the Residence -- Although you gave this project to John Brown I have informed Bob Taylor of the necessity to move ... and of the fact that I will do what I can to ensure that whatever space is provided as a substitute gives "stand-by" and

"waiting" agents their required quick access to the President and other members of the First Family. The important thing is that Bob Taylor has been notified of the plan and given a chance to think out possible alternatives. I will be working with John on this and we will move as quickly as other space becomes available.

14. Your January 12th Memorandum to Me Concerning the Volunteer Project Suggested by Higgins and Keogh -- I am in the middle of this one now and you may be interested in knowing that there is a legal clause which could be an obstacle. U.S. Code Title 31, paragraph 665B, says: "Voluntary service is forbidden . . . No officer or employee of the U.S. shall accept voluntary service for the U.S. or shall employ personal service in excess of that authorized by law" Of course, where there's a will there's a way. We got around this clause on our Christmas card project because of the fact that it was a one-time, short-term effort . . . and because the volunteers were merely helping RN as one would help any other friend in time of need. We will have to give a different interpretation to the law if we are going to bring volunteers onto the Staff permanently. (Although many don't realize it, we have a lot of "voluntary service" going for us at the present time . . . in the form of loyal secretaries and other "non-commissioned" personnel who work regularly well beyond the White House-imposed 4 hour per week overtime limit.) I'll stay on this one and keep you informed.

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January 14, 1970

PERSONAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: COLONEL HUGHES
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Your January 2nd Correspondence Concerning
"Awards"

You asked for my frank opinion. It is simply this:

As much as anyone else I am in favor of people being appropriately rewarded for (1) long periods of normal service, faithfully rendered; and (2) highly effective efforts expended "above and beyond ..." on specific projects. In the case in question, appropriate rewards would be letters ... some perhaps from the President to Mel Laird (for the permanent files), and some to the individual concerned ... or perhaps both to the 1 or 2 persons most deserving. The mere suggestion of awards on the order of the DSM, the LOM -- even the MSM and the JSCM -- can only be based on the Government level at which the work was done, and not on individual performances.

For what it is worth to you, Ken BeLieu is in full agreement with my assessment.

I would appreciate your treating this memorandum as "Confidential" and preferably destroying it rather than placing it in your files.

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January 14, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CHARLES WILKINSON

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Responsibility for Religious Services
at The White House

Following receipt of your memorandum to Bob Haldeman concerning your desire to turn over to some other office the responsibilities for White House religious services -- and our recent conversation on the same subject -- I spoke to Connie Stuart and found her to be completely amenable to taking full charge. She understands that you have a file of materials relating to past services and planning procedures for future events ... and she is awaiting your call to arrange a near-future get-together.

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January 14, 1970

PERSONAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Joseph H. Blatchford
Director, Peace Corps

SUBJECT: Peace Corps Poster

Here's a poster which, because of the photographs it bears (lower left and lower center), will be every bit as interesting to you as it was to me. I have no idea how many of the posters are displayed around the country, but probably quite a few.

The White House staffer who brought this to my attention reported the following additional information which he had obtained from the Special Assistant to the Commissioner of the Public Buildings Service:

It was printed in 5,000 copies on November 10th, 1969 in the Atlanta office of GSA as a service for the Peace Corps ... the order having been sent to GSA by the Peace Corps' Office of Volunteer Programs (South). The requisition slip indicated that the "originator" was Mary Ann Carroll ... and that the approving authorities were Robert O. Nelson and Antoine A. Lauche, Jr.

Unable to vouch for the accuracy of this information, I thought it most appropriate to turn the entire matter over to you.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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PERSONAL

January 14, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. CONSTANCE STUART
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Responsibility for Religious Services
at The White House

I appreciate your understanding of the matter we discussed this afternoon, and thank you for your willingness to assume the full responsibility. Bud Wilkinson will be contacting you soon -- certainly within a few days -- to arrange an initial get-together.

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January 14, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MELENCAMP
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Letter Response to Mr. Rocco F. Civizzio

I am enclosing with this memorandum a notebook containing Mr. Civizzio's ideas for generating and maintaining Silent American Majority support for the President and his Vietnam policy. As you will notice, it (the book) includes Mr. Civizzio's December 12th letter to Dr. Moynihan ... and it is that letter which explains the ideas in full.

Obviously a lot of work has gone into presentation of this proposal ... certainly enough to warrant a nice letter of acknowledgment and thanks.

Actually there is very little that we can do here to promote Mr. Civizzio's plan, so I am at a loss for suggestions as to what you might tell him. You should say at least that a number of Staff members discussed the merits of his idea ... and (perhaps) suggested that he approach the VFW, American Legion and other veteran organizations through their Washington offices.

When you have no further need for the book, please return it to Mr. Art Klebonoff in Room 194 - EOB and he will see that it gets back to the owner.

Many thanks.

Note: Don't forget to add Mr. Civizzio's name to our list of supporters.

Chron

January 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Resume' of Today's Discussion on
Forthcoming Defense Cuts (5:30 p. m. -
6:05 p. m.)

This session could not be called a meeting. The persons whose names are listed below were sitting around the conference table talking informally and in very general terms about the Defense reductions ... and because all were awaiting the arrival of Secretary Shultz and Attorney General Mitchell, no one took positive control of the discussion.

John Ehrlichman
Pat Moynihan
Arthur Burns
Jerome Rosow (Assistant Secretary
of Labor)
James Hodgson (Under Secretary
of Labor)
Peter Flanigan (for the last 15 minutes)
Alex Butterfield
Jeb Magruder
Martin Anderson
Harry Dent (for the last 25 minutes)
Herb Stein

Comments made were essentially these:

- (Moynihan) This thing is going to cause a panic and we've got to be ready for it.
- (Burns) No, I don't think it will cause a panic. There will be hardship for personnel and political implications ... but no real panic in the general sense of the word.

- (Unknown) It's important for us to know when the impact will be felt, and if it will be felt all at once or spread out over the fiscal year.
- (Unknown) When Defense contract cuts are in big city areas (comprising a relatively small percentage of the total employment) the unemployment problem is more easily absorbed than when the cuts occur in small town areas.
- (Burns) It would be wonderful if we could know where all of the job-giving opportunities are, i.e. where there is a choice for the individual as to where (geographically) he can live and work. I should think that the Labor Department could get this information by computer ... and perhaps a White House staffer could be designated to ride herd on the project. It would certainly be worthwhile.
- (Unknown) The name of the game is to organize so as to ease the transition.
- (Burns) I would think that -- just to take an example -- if you have large layoffs in Seattle and soon afterward the Federal Government has the choice to put a Defense contract in Seattle or some other place, it would be best to put it in Seattle ... to take care of the mass unemployment resulting from the earlier layoffs.
- (Stein) I'm not so sure the Federal Government is capable of tailoring itself for such detail, i.e. for tailoring itself sufficiently to be effective.
- (Burns) Around the country there are varying degrees of prosperity. A certain pattern exists. If a big Defense layoff comes along -- on a nationwide scale -- it acts as a force which changes that prosperity pattern. What you do then is put subsequent contracts in those areas where prosperity is low.
- (Ehrlichman) I think it's necessary for us to set up a clearing house here in the White House. It will be necessary to have a good strong man in charge of the clearing house and a maximum of high-level Departmental cooperation.

- (Hodgson) I might mention a fellow who has had a lot of experience in this area. He's over at DoD and his name is Don Bradford. No one is better for getting out to the towns and helping the people with their problems. He knows how to talk to them and how to get things done. He knows better than anyone how the Defense cutbacks are going to affect the people. In fact, it's significant to say that DoD has considerable experience in this area.
- (Magruder) The Democrats will surely use this issue and we've got to be ready to counteract their attack. They'll hit hard on the human element.
- (Dent) If the polls mean anything, the public wants to see cuts in the Defense budget ... so we might well be able to make a political plus out of this thing. If it is going to be a political plus there's no reason not to get on with it right away. If it is going to turn out to be bad, I think people will get over it pretty fast. People have a way of adjusting to things. And so, once again we should get on with it right away, for if it's going to be bad we don't want it to hurt us in '72. That's our big year.
- (Unknown) Why can't we use net figures when we're talking about these reductions? Net figures will have much less impact than the gross figures.
- (Dent) That's right, and then we could use gross figures when it is all over ... to tell the public what we've done.
- (Moynihan) Well, we've got enough to start on already -- Herb Stein's document, statistics and other pertinent information from the Labor Department, Don Bradford's expertise, and Ed Morgan here in the White House to supervise.
- (Hodgson) Well, it looks as though George Shultz may never get out of the Cabinet Room; why don't I just go ahead and give you a quick rundown on what we at the Labor Department have ... then we can break up. It's nearly 6 o'clock already.

Note: At this point random discussion stopped and Under Secretary Hodgson proceeded to outline the essential elements of Labor Department's "early warning mass lay-off procedures".

-- (Hodgson) At the very first indication of a significant cutback or layoff ... i.e. something that will result in abrupt unemployment of more than 500 people ... we are ready to do a number of things:

- Alert all state agencies and offices.
- Get numbers of people affected, names of closing establishments, names of businesses in the same area which need people, etc.
- Laid-off persons are interviewed, advised fully of all plans in the making, etc.
- Placements are made, inter-plant transfers are made, retraining is undertaken where necessary, a central internal referral system is set up, job banks are used, community action programs are generated, studies are made of special compensations which might be due certain persons, etc.
- The main problems are with what we call "marginal types" ... i.e. the very old persons, those with skills no longer being used, etc. Of course, there are some pay losses too, but usually nothing very serious.
- The most important single elements are:
 - . Adequate leadtime.
 - . Some provisions for specialized services.

- . Places to retrain people.
- . Appropriate means by which to motivate people to move to new areas.
- We have already made provisions for a close liaison between Bob Brown in our Department (Labor) and Don Bradford at DoD. They will develop an analysis of the problem and work out a better internal mechanism between Labor and DoD.
- It is important that we develop Party line responses to each statement which we anticipate the "other side" using in its attack.

Note: This concluded Under Secretary Hodgson's brief report.

- (Ehrlichman) This is obviously a Labor-DoD operation, but Commerce is in it very definitely ... and perhaps BoB. Let's think about how we might organize this so that the White House is tied in. I'll bring this up at my staff meeting tomorrow morning ... and Jeb (to Magruder), I'd appreciate it if you would attend.
- (Moynihan) I suggest we have a meeting of whatever organization comes out of this every other week. Does everyone agree? (Most everyone present agreed.)
- (Ehrlichman) I'd like to see someone in this thing from Commerce. We'll discuss that tomorrow morning.

The group discussion broke up at 6:05 p. m.

Chron

January 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Attached is an essay on the nature of the New Federalism which you may find of interest.

It is by no means the "official" or final word on the Administration's political philosophy, but the "New Federalist Paper #1" is a serious examination of our approach and worthy of your study.

It is hoped that it will stimulate further discussion and lead to a better understanding of much of what we are trying to achieve. Your comments and criticisms (or a reply essay, if you are so moved) would be most welcome.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Enclosure

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Messrs. P. J. Buchanan
Dwight Chapin
Kenneth Cole
Charles Colson
Harry Dent
Lee A. DuBridge
John Ehrlichman
Leonard Garment
H. R. Haldeman
Don Hughes
James Keogh
Henry Kissinger
Herbert G. Klein
Jeb Magruder
Paul McCracken
Arthur Sohmer
Ronald Ziegler

RE: Cabinet Meeting

The President will meet at 3:00 p. m. today with those members of the Cabinet who serve as heads of Departments, Bureaus, etc. There will be no staff personnel sitting in.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

January 13, 1970

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Vietnamization

As an assist to your efforts to put together a contingency plan for the day when GVN forces (probably in the Delta) suffer a major setback and the Administration's dependence upon Vietnamization is questioned, I am attaching some pertinent public comments by Secretary Laird and Deputy Secretary Packard.

Attachment

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

"I want to add a word of caution about the Vietnamization program. I think there are some people, when they talk of the Vietnamization program, that indicate that every battle, every activity that goes on in Vietnam will meet with success. Now, it's true that in the major encounters that we have had recently in Vietnam, the forces of the South Vietnamese have been extremely successful. But I do not want anyone to assume that those forces will never suffer a defeat in any battle, because in a war such as this, there will be times when they will suffer some setbacks. We must be prepared for those temporary setbacks, and I hope that the success that we have recently been having will not be disturbed by a temporary setback should one occur at some future time ..

"I think it is most important for us to show that we are proceeding on two fronts. The two fronts are our real desire for a negotiated settlement in Vietnam, keeping in mind our primary objective, that is, the primary objective of peace, and the right of self-determination for the people of South Vietnam.... I believe the Vietnamization program, as we show this movement, is preparing the South Vietnamese to face up to the responsibility for the combat responsibility in South Vietnam in Phase I of our Vietnamization program. As we show our determination to go forward with Phase II of the Vietnamization program, which makes it possible for the South Vietnamese to handle their own support activities -- whether they be in the area of artillery, aircraft, logistics support -- this puts the North Vietnamese and Hanoi on notice that we are serious about this program, not only as far as turning over the combat responsibilities but in giving the forces of South Vietnam the kind of support that is needed and necessary for them to be successful.

"I believe the President again last night, as well as in his May 14 speech and his November 3 speech, has tried to deliver this message as clearly and as concisely as any President or any leader of any country in the world could .

"As we move into Phase II of this program, I want to make it very clear that we still will maintain security forces with our support units that remain in Vietnam. These security units will not have combat responsibility in-country, but they will have the security responsibility for our United States forces ...

"This is one of the cornerstones, of course, of our whole doctrine, the Nixon Doctrine outlined on Guam by President Nixon -- to turn over greater responsibility, particularly as far as ground forces are concerned, for the future security of Asia -- that this will be a responsibility of the Asians themselves and we will give them needed and necessary support in Vietnam. The Vietnamization program is the first move towards implementing that important new doctrine as far as the national security planning of the United States." [For details of the Nixon Doctrine see 15 November Policy Letter.]

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SPEAKING ON THE SAME SUBJECT, Deputy Secretary of Defense David Packard said on a CBS Morning News interview on 17 December

"The long-term objective is simply to enable South Vietnam to become a self-supporting, independent country that is viable in its own right. We don't know what the ultimate result will be, whether there will be a need for United States troops there to any degree in the long run. We hope at some point it can be brought down to simply a group of advisors, but I would not want to predict the time or the numbers in the medium long term... We hope that the progress in South Vietnam can progress to the point that we'll have very low numbers. As you know, President Nixon has indicated that we want to have our Asian policy in the future one in which there are no U.S. ground troops involved in countries that need help, and I think our Vietnamization program will be a test as to how well this can be achieved "

Chen

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Subject: Cabinet Meeting

This is to confirm the fact that the President has
called a Cabinet meeting for 3:00 P. M. today

Alexander P. Butterfield
Alexander P. Butterfield

Deputy Assistant to the President

Chen

January 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. COLSON
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Borman-Head

I agree that it would be a good idea to put Frank Borman in touch with Murdock Head. He (Borman) is coming in at 3:00 p. m. today to see Bob Haldeman. If you've not met him, I will grab him for 15-20 minutes and call you over for a quick introduction. You could broach the subject then, or later . . . whichever course of action seems appropriate at the time.

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January 12, 1970

Memo for: Mr. Haldeman

From: Alex Butterfield

Bob -

Here's another one of Mollenhoff's
memos to the President ... and a pro-
posed response for your signature.

Attachments

January 12, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Clark R. Mollenhoff

FROM: H. R. Haldeman

RE: Your January 5th Memorandum to the President
Concerning the MyLai Problem

I had an opportunity this afternoon to bring to the President's attention your MyLai memorandum of January 5th.

Whereas the President appreciates your concern, and understands the reasons behind it, he prefers that at least for the time being we remain completely uninvolved.

Chron

January 12, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BILL DOWD
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Your Draft Letter to Mr. Ross Perot

With reference to your December 22nd memorandum to me concerning a proposed letter to Ross Perot soliciting financial assistance for a debating program for college campuses, I would suggest that such a letter not be sent. To my way of thinking it would be simpler, and perhaps more effective, if I were to contact Mr. Perot by telephone and make arrangements for him to sit down with you and Mr. Garment and discuss the matter personally the next time he is in Washington.

As it happens, Mr. Perot is in Washington, D. C. at the moment but quite busy with previously-made commitments. Fortunately, however, he plans to come back several more times this month and I am sure I will be able to give you some advance notice by telephone.

cc: Mr. Len Garment

Note: Message passed by
telephone at 2:00 p.m.
Original memo destroyed.

Chen

January 12, 1970

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. COLSON
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Mr. Charles Waters

Another name for your file, assuming you don't have it already, is Charles Waters. Formerly an aide to H.L. Hunt, Waters is now running his own management consultant firm in Dallas. He is an ultra-conservative, a special advisor to the YAF ... but most importantly, one who can put his hands on large amounts of cash. His phone number is: AC 214, 369-3177.

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January 12, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARRY FLEMMING

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

To this memorandum I am attaching the resume' of a friend, Mr. George R. Bickell, who is seeking employment with the Federal Government at the GS 14-15 level ... and preferably in the Health or Welfare Divisions of the Department of HEW.

Although I have not been closely associated with Mr. Bickell for some 15 or more years, I note in the resume' that he has had a considerable amount of managerial experience. He is without question a good and loyal Republican.

Attachment

Chen

January 10, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Ross Perot

Ross called last night to pass on his strong desire to see you at the earliest opportunity. These are the things which are on his mind at the moment (... in his own words):

- My next move is to go to Saigon to visit the POW camps run by the South Vietnamese. I've had a man in Saigon since the end of December to advance my visit. From all reports, he's having his share of troubles. The State Department people there, and some of the MAC-V officials, are pretty hard to deal with.
- I really feel it is imperative that I get in to see the President to report to him my impressions from this Christmas season trip of ours through Asia and Europe.
 - I can tell you one thing -- Knowing what I now know about the organization within the Federal Government which is supposed to be working on the release of American prisoners, I can think of nothing worse than being a prisoner myself.
 - We have too many thinkers and not enough doers; our people are more geared to "meeting with POW wives" than working on solutions to our problems.
 - Our Federal Government can do so much more than it is now doing.
 - The complaints of many of these wives and mothers are completely valid as far as I am concerned.

- I was appalled when I actually met members of the International Red Cross. You can't believe how inefficient and lackadaisical they are. The people in Vientiane, Laos were absolutely unbelievable ... and in my opinion the fellow in charge is bordering on insanity.
- The Federal Government needs a small, tough, hard-driving organization ... something which will keep chipping away at the problem ... an organization which will keep hitting Hanoi where it hurts. Of course, the Government will have to do things always in the conventional manner, but meanwhile private citizens like myself can do the unconventional things ... the things a Government cannot do.
- I have been getting a little flak from Kissinger, but I really don't think he understands. For instance, he was concerned about my plans for going through Moscow in order to get the goods delivered to Hanoi ... for fear I would make heroes of the Soviets. Yet since my return I have been aware of a tremendous reaction here in the U.S., especially from young people, over the "surprising fact" that the Soviet Union was in any way involved. I think if I have exposed Soviet involvement in the plight of American POWs, that awakening alone is worth something. I think our trip helped bring out to a lot of people here in America the differences between open and closed societies.

Although I assured Ross of your continuing interest in resolving the POW dilemma, I expressed some doubts as to the wisdom of his coming to the White House so soon after his return. It is not unreasonable to assume that at least some newsmen might well interpret the visit as a "return for more marching orders". He said that he agreed with that and would not make known his presence in Washington. He said the best day for him would be Sunday afternoon, January 11th, but that he could make it as easily on Tuesday, January 13th; Monday, January 19th; or Monday, January 26th.

Recommendation:

That you not see Ross on this occasion, but call him instead ... and

- Reiterate to him your continuing interest in this matter, and your interest in his trip information as relayed by me.
- Tell him that you have asked me to set up a meeting between him and key representatives of State, Defense and the NSC staff so that there can be some frank discussion of views and hopefully some agreement as to appropriate future courses of action.
- Express your admiration for his personal interest in POW affairs, and perhaps tell him how much good has and will come from steadfast efforts to put the world spotlight on Hanoi's intransigence.

Will proceed with recommended plan. _____

Will see Ross. Have Dwight arrange short visit. _____

Prefer neither to see nor to call Ross at this time; you handle; and if you want, set up meeting of representatives as mentioned above _____

Chen

January 10, 1970

Memo for: Noble Melencamp

From: Alex Butterfield

The attached letter is for your
general information and possible
future reference.

Attachment

Nov 25 ltr to
Miss Judy Wilson
re organization of
Cabinet

Chen

January 10, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Cabinet Matters

The near-future departure from the White House Staff of Dr. Arthur Burns brings to mind some pertinent questions. The first concerns Cabinet membership ... i.e. who is a member and who is not. Going back well before the Eisenhower Administration, the U.S. Government Organization Manual (printed and revised annually by GSA's Office of the Federal Register) says this about the Cabinet:

The Cabinet is composed of the heads of the (correct number, depending upon the year) Executive Departments -- the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Treasury, the Secretary of Defense ... etc.

The Manual goes on to say:

Certain other officials of the Executive branch, as also the Vice President, have been invited by the President to participate in Cabinet meetings regularly, and others are invited from time to time for discussion of particular subjects.

The most recent Manual -- the one printed during the first year of your Administration -- adds one sentence:

Certain other officials of the Executive branch have been accorded Cabinet rank.

Therefore the question is: Do you intend for those persons accorded Cabinet rank -- other than the heads of the Executive Departments -- to be considered in all ways bona fide members of the Cabinet?

Yes _____

No _____

If your answer to the question above is "no" ... do you nevertheless want each person "accorded Cabinet rank" to have his own Cabinet chair, and to be honored upon his departure from the Cabinet by formal or informal presentation of that chair?

Yes _____

No _____

If your answer to either question is "yes", I recommend a short (50-minute) Cabinet meeting on Friday morning, January 30th ... for the following purposes:

SUGGESTED AGENDA

- (15 min.) 1. Secretary Romney's report to the President and the Cabinet on the Listening Post and the Federal Information Center projects.
- (15 min.) 2. HUD's sound/color film of Secretary Romney's day in Philadelphia opening the Listening Post program.

Note: It is felt that this report will be of value to the other Cabinet members in that many of them will be going soon to other cities and following Secretary Romney's example. Moreover, part of the listening process is to report back to the President. White House attendees will benefit as well ... and so will Chairman Morton whose staff is working on similar enterprises.

(These 2 items above strongly recommended for inclusion by Len Garment.)

- (5 min.) 3. Photograph of Cabinet.

Note: We have not yet had all members present for a Cabinet photograph, and there is good reason to believe that all could be present on January 30th.

(15 min.)

4. Remarks by the President.

- Announcement of the date of the next Cabinet meeting. (I suggest Friday, February 20th, and have coordinated this suggestion with Dwight.)
- Recognition of your 2 new Counsellors, Harlow and Moynihan, recently accorded Cabinet rank. (If you answered "yes" to either of the foregoing questions I will have purchased chairs for these 2 new Cabinet members.)
- Recognition of Arthur Burns' wise counsel and distinguished service, and presentation to him of his Cabinet chair. (Again, this to be done only if you have indicated in answers to the questions above that it is your desire.)

Note: Although I believe that a "chair presentation" is most appropriately done in conjunction with a Cabinet meeting, in the Cabinet Room, and in the company of one's Cabinet colleagues ... I should mention here that if a chair is to be given to Arthur, it could be done at a later date -- perhaps as a part of the White House ceremony swearing him in as Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board.

Proceed with plan to schedule a short Cabinet meeting on January 30th ... with an agenda as outlined above _____

Do not schedule January Cabinet meeting _____

Prefer presentation of chair at swearing-in ceremony _____

Coordinate with Haldeman and Ehrlichman re additional alternatives _____

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January 9, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Categories of Recipients of the Election Day
Anniversary (November 5th) Letter

In a telephone call from San Clemente, Larry asked me to get a list of the categories of recipients of our election day anniversary letter. They were:

- (1) News media people
- (2) Athletes for Nixon
- (3) Contributors (themselves arranged in 4 categories)
- (4) Business Council members for Nixon-Agnew
- (5) Miscellaneous (separate recommendations by Staff personnel and others)

Standard letter "A" went to all of those in the news media category. They totaled 521. Standard letter "B", totalling 524, went to athletes for Nixon... each accompanied by 3 golf balls. Standard letter "C" totaled 3,092 and went to persons in the remaining 3 categories. Total letters sent was 4,137.

Chron

January 9, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Your Request for Letters to the New York Times Editor

Just before you left for San Clemente you asked me to get out some letters to the New York Times editor in protest of his failure to editorialize on the occasion of Congress's endorsement of the Administration's Philadelphia Plan. Jeb Magruder put the machinery to work but because most of the letter writers are outside of the Washington, D. C. area it is now taking some time to get copies of their letters in here to my desk. However, 2 of those written from Washington, D. C. are at Tab A ... and approximately 30 more are enroute to me.

You will recall, I am sure, the excellent article which appeared on page 20 of the December 26th issue of the New York Times ... as a result of Herb Klein's background briefing held on December 23rd. When you saw it you remarked that this was precisely the kind of thing we should be doing all the time. Although much would-be publicity on the Plan no doubt got lost in the Christmas rush, there were a number of other editorials and columns which highlighted the Plan's merits and your leadership in scoring the Administration's victory. Mort Allin collected a sampling of those which appeared just during the 7-day period December 22-29, and they are attached at Tab B.

Attachments

Chen

January 9, 1970

Miss Jill Stevenson
4532 Biscayne Drive
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23455

Dear Miss Stevenson:

Mr. John Whitaker is no longer Secretary to the Cabinet. He is now serving as Deputy Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs ... on the staff of Mr. John Ehrlichman. The fact of the matter is that we no longer have a Cabinet Secretary per se, but in my capacity as Deputy Assistant to the President (on Mr. Haldeman's staff) I am fulfilling the responsibilities of a Cabinet Secretary.

You were right about the poem. It is good, and it certainly does make an interesting point. Many thanks to you for taking the time to send it on, and rest assured that I will have it typed up and brought to the attention of our staff members ... and possibly to the Cabinet members at their next meeting.

How do you like Virginia Beach? Your return address brought back some fond memories, for I used to live at Virginia Beach -- on 52nd Street near Crystal Lake -- back in 1941 and early 1942.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Chen

January 9, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. WHELIHAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Photograph of the Cabinet

In response to your note of January 8th, please be assured that I am conscious of our lack of a good photograph of the entire Cabinet and of Dr. Burns' imminent departure. I will do what I can this month to round up the Cabinet members for a "quick sitting".

chris

January 8, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Ehrlichman's December 31st Memorandum to
The Attorney General, Sec Labor, Arthur
Burns, and 7-8 Others Re Defense Cuts

In response to your query, here are my initial thoughts:

- You should first review the comments of the addressees who respond to Ehrlichman's memorandum.
- The object of the exercise is to draw up a plan -- however brief at this point -- designed to minimize adverse criticism of the Administration for the ways in which these Defense cuts will affect the economy ... and (psychologically) certain elements of the society.
- Paul McCracken makes a significant point when he says that the psychological effects will be enormous unless a "reverse flow" of counter activities coincides.
- It would seem to me that you can do no more than outline your own personal "plan of action" this afternoon (i.e. prior to the President's return) ... but almost immediately thereafter you should plan to get together in conference with each of the addressees (even though most of them are not regular "game planners") and hash out ways and means of best countering and/or coping with anticipated results of DoD's forthcoming civilian and military job reductions and Defense contract curtailments.
- John's point about the need for planning a support campaign for Vietnamization is a good one. It is an absolute certainty that the merits of Vietnamization will be soon (and seriously) questioned.

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January 8, 1970

TOP SECRET

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: J. Edgar Hoover's December 29th Letter to
The President Concerning Mort Halperin and
Clark Clifford

In response to your query, here are my initial thoughts on the matter:

- You should go -- first of all -- to Al Haig (not to Tony Lake) and find out who participated in Henry's December 29th meeting. If he had more than one group meeting on that day, you could say that it is your understanding that this particular meeting concerned Vietnam and options as to our future courses of action there.
- You should get ahold of the speeches or talks in which Mr. Nixon (the candidate) made the statements mentioned in the second paragraph ... in order to know and understand the context.
- The name of the game, of course, is to get ourselves springloaded to a position from which we can effectively counter whatever tack Clifford takes ... and it would appear that the memorandum you showed to me provides the basic framework for his plan.
- Al Haig can get you squared away on at least a preliminary scheme. We can build from there.
- Needless to say, this item is every bit as sensitive as the memorandum indicates.

TOP SECRET

Personal for Mr. Haldeman at the Western White House

Chronology of Major White House/Administration News Play in Area Newspapers
(As of 10 00 A.M. EST, Jan 8)

Washington Evening Star

- Page 1 -- Nixon May Ask Excise Tax Rise/\$2-3 Billion Increase Would
Balance Budget
- FBI Tapes Underworld Talk
- U.S. Quietly Abandons Employee Loyalty Oath
- Integration Showdown/Mississippians Hastily Turning to
Private Schools
- "Won't Go", Whites Tell School Head (Jackson, Mississippi)

Note

Remainder of front page taken up with D.C. area "snow storm"
and Kopechne inquest news.

- Page 2 -- Barron, 42 Others Indicted in West Virginia Bribe Probe
- Agencies Told (By CSC) to Adopt Stronger Job Rights Plans
- Policy Easing Urged by Shultz
- Page 3 -- Nixon Fighting Heroin Traffic Where it Starts

Washington Post

- Page 1 -- Laird Retreats on ABM/Site Expansion Undecided, Secretary
Says
- Yazoo City (Mississippi) Desegregates Not "What We Expected"
(w/photo of parents chanting defiance as school official explains
busing plans)
- 30 Georgia School Units Regain U.S. Funds

- Influence Probers Query McCormack
- Labor Department May Review UMW Vote
- Mills is Cool to Feelers for Rise in Excise Taxes
- Bitter Exchanges Mark Camille Relief Hearing
- Page 2 -- Threatened Veto of HEW Bill is Keyed to Hill Control
- Nixon Ends California Visit Today
- The Gallup Poll/Public Divided on News Coverage
- Page 3 -- Navy Chaplain (Admiral James Kelly) Says Anti-War Activity
Has Not Harmed Morale of GIs
- U.S. Court Asked to Void Airline Fare Increases

New York Times

- Page 1 -- France Confirms Arranging Libya Arms Sale/Says Deal Is
Part of Wider Accord That Will Increase Role in the Arab
World/Mirage Jets Included/U.S. Aides Confident Plan
Will Not Be Issue During Pompidou Visit to Nixon
- Jersey Leaders Deny Mafia Tied Implied on Tapes
- 4,000 Mississippi Whites Go to School, But 300 Balk (w/2 photos)
- Laird Says Soviet Speeds Up Threat

Note

Remainder of front page taken up with New York state and
New York City news, article on Teamsters seeking 75 per-
cent pay increase, and miscellaneous items.

A. P. Butterfield

Chron

January 7, 1970

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

Does GSA ATLANTA GA, as it appears in the lower left corner of the attached poster, mean our own General Services Administration? I would appreciate your checking on the publication of this poster. Who printed it? ... where and when?

Many thanks.

Attachment

Beloit Daily News (Beloit, Wisconsin) invited readers to speak out on the President's Vietnam policy.

663 persons signed coupons of support

Mr. James S. Copley of the Copley Newspapers (La Jolla, California) sent petitions of support.

95 signatures

Mr. George H. Bevan, Editor of The Leader (a newspaper in Corning, New York) sent coupons of support cut out and mailed to him by readers of The Leader.

2100 persons signed coupons

Philip T. Kelly, Vice President and General Manager of Dubuque, Iowa Station WDBQ told of his station's broadcasting 6 times an editorial of support for the President's Vietnam policy. Telephone calls and mail to the station indicated a 100-1 ratio in favor of the President's policies.

Mr. Stan Rose of Rose Publications (Shawnee Mission, Kansas) told of 600 signed ballots his paper had received indicating citizen support for the President's Vietnam position.

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January 7, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MELENCAMP
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Names of Persons Supporting the
President's Vietnam Policy

Along with this memorandum I am sending you 8 separate packages, all of which pertain to citizen support for the President's Vietnam peace plan. As you will notice, many of the coupons are signed by more than one person -- often an entire family -- so please use care in transcribing the names onto our tapes.

Many thanks.

Attachments

Personal for Mr. Haldeman at the Western White House

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(As of 10 00 A.M. EST, Jan 7)

Washington Evening Star

- Page 1 -- Taken up by stories on Kopechne inquest, police patrolling District schools following fatal shooting in Junior High, Yablonski murders, and grounding of astronauts.
- Page 2 -- U.S. to Train Dropouts as Mail Workers
-- One-half of page devoted to Yablonski story
- Page 3 -- Private School Tax Eyed in Bias Fight
-- Mississippi Schools Reopen Integrated
-- Honolulu Session to Map Vietnam Pullout of 50,000
-- Most of page related to Kopechne inquest.

Washington Post

- Page 1 -- President to Veto HEW Bill
-- Shultz Says Money Policy Is Too Tight
-- Finch Fights Tax Aid for White Schools
-- Contractors Sue to Test Minority Hiring Plan
-- Remainder of page contains stories relating to Yablonski slayings, Kopechne inquest, and DC police patrolling schools
- Page 2 -- U.S. Aide (Shultz) Enters GE Talks
-- Postal Agency Plans Schools for Dropouts (w/photo)
-- Alan Bean, 2 Others Grounded by NASA

New York Times

- Page 1 -- South's New White Schools May Face a U.S. Tax Move/
Finch Backs Plan to End Exemptions for Those Avoiding
Integration (w/photo)
- U.S. Presses Pacts with 3 Countries in Fight on Heroin
- Draft Boards Up to No 30 in First Month of Lottery
- Speedup Weighed in Tax Collection/Treasury Drafts
\$5-Billion Estate and Gift Proposal and a Rise in Excises
- Loyalty Oath for U.S. Employes Abolished After Successful
Suit
- Mitchell Orders F. B. I. to Join Inquiry Into Yablonski Slayings

— A P Butterfield —

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January 6, 1970

Dear Mr. Taeni:

This is just a short note to comply with your recent request ... and to wish you the very best of everything throughout the New Year.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. John I. Taeni
177 East 77th Street
New York, N. Y. 10021

Clark

January 6, 1970

Dear Lynn:

It was so nice to hear from you and Norm during the Christmas holiday . . . and to receive your recent letter of December 30th (although the latter was a little too "business-like" for old friends.)

I have only a moment, so will be forced to be a little "business-like" in return. The 12 photos which you requested are enclosed, and I certainly hope they survive the cross-country trip without damage.

We think of you all often, and look forward to the day when we can get together -- hopefully here in Washington . . . and soon.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mrs. Norman R. Clark
4618 - 137th Avenue, N.E.
Bellevue, Washington 98004

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January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. NOBLE MELENCAMP

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Persons Who Support the President's
Vietnam Policy

I am attaching two letters which will give you additional names to record along with others who have indicated their support for the President's Vietnam Peace Plan.

Attachments

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January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Political List

Upon his return (no later than January 9th), the President would like a revised "political list" ... for use in writing letters, making phone calls, and extending invitations. In your preparation of this revised list, please shift the emphasis from contributors to political leaders. He would like the list to contain the names of at least the 50 top political leaders in the country.

As a somewhat separate item -- and for whatever action you deem appropriate -- the President mentioned the fact that key GOP leaders, such as Rockefeller, Reagan, and Ogilvie, should be contacted regularly, and that he does not know where this program stands at the present time. He said that he did not recall any recent requests for him to put through telephone calls to any one of these three Governors. In a separate memorandum, you may want to let the President know which of the prime GOP leaders we have been contacting, how often, in what manner, and by whom.

January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. OLLIE ATKINS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Special Request

I would appreciate your having 12 copies of the 8"x10" First Family portrait (in color) mounted and sent to me by January 14, 1970.

Many thanks.

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January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. OLLIE ATKINS
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: UPI Photograph

On June 20, 1969, the WASHINGTON POST published a UPI photograph of Miss Lourind Steele, a blind 18-year-old from Chevy Chase, Maryland, lightly touching the face of Tricia Nixon. (The picture was taken during a tea in the Rayburn House Office Building on June 19th.)

Because the President thought the picture was one of the best he has ever seen, I would appreciate your doing what you can to obtain a finished print. Once we have the photo in our possession, we can decide how it might best be used.

January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. TOD HULLIN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Speakers for Special Occasions

Sometime ago, you described to me the rally which was to be held in Seattle, Washington for the purpose of supporting the President's Vietnam policy ... and you asked whether the occasion was one for which we would want to help the sponsor obtain an appropriate speaker. The simple answer to the question is "yes"; however, I would direct most requests of this nature to the Speakers Bureau at the Republican National Committee Headquarters. They have very quickly and willingly obtained speakers for any number of special events which I have passed on to them.

Chrm

January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. NOBLE MELENCAMP

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Mysterious Letter (attached)

I am not sure where the attached letter came from ... but I am passing it on to you (or back to you) for whatever disposition you deem appropriate.

It may have come to me purely as an information item, but regardless, I have no comment.

Attachment

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January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: STAFF SECRETARY

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

The attached correspondence responds to Action Memorandum,
Log No. P103.

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January 6, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN BROWN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Action Memorandum, Log No. P103

I have just been informed by Mr. Magruder (our designated point of contact for requests for "letters to editors") that it will take an additional 3-4 days to get in from the field copies of letters sent to the NEW YORK TIMES Editor for that paper's lack of editorial comment on the Congress' endorsement of the Administration's Philadelphia Plan.

You may want to relay this information to the President. Meanwhile, I will need the additional time suggested by Mr. Magruder in order to comply with the President's request.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Submission of Reports

This is to remind staff members that every official periodic report (whether or not prepared specifically for the President) is expected in the office of the Staff Secretary in accordance with its regularly assigned submission schedule . . . even though illness or some other circumstance has resulted in the absence from work of the person normally held responsible.

If you are one of those who has such a responsibility -- either direct or indirect -- it would be a good idea to work out now, and to your own satisfaction, a system which will insure the report's thorough preparation and timely submission in the event that you are unable to give the matter your personal attention.

Thank you.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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Washington Evening Star

- (Sunday edition previously reported)

Washington Post

- Page 1 -- Allied Bases Hit in Step-Up of VC Action
- Kennedy to be First Witness in Kopechne Inquest
- Newsman Suspended by Army
- Agnew Assails U.S Critics of Military Aid to Thailand
(w/photo of Vice President and Mrs. Agnew w/Grand Palace
spires in background)
- Mississippi Integration Due Today
- Page 2 -- Senator Harris Scores Nixon for Failing to Curb Inflation
(from his "Face the Nation" interview)
- (Remaining seven-eighths of page 2 devoted to Kopechne
Inquest information and photos of witnesses arriving)

New York Times

- Page 1 -- Flare-Up in Raids by Foe Near DMZ Reported by U.S
- Moderate Budget for Family Here is Put at \$11,236/
U.S. Estimate for 4 is as of Last Spring -- Costs Today are
Up at Least 3%
- White Pupils are Fleeing Mississippi Public Schools/Exodus
Seen as Threat to System on Eve of Integration Move/U S.
is Pressing Suits in the North to Eliminate DeFacto Segregation

Page 1 of 2 Pages

New York Times - Continued

Page 1 -- G.I.'s Outburst Widens Censorship Issue

-- (Large photo of Vice President and Mrs. Agnew in front of Bangkok's Grand Palace.... story on page 3)

From: A. P. Butterfield

Page 2 of 2 Pages

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(As of 10:00 A.M. EST, Jan 4)

Washington Evening Star (January 3)

- Page 1 -- Agnew Sees G.I. Use Only in Asia Crisis/Visits Top Officials of Thailand (w/photo of Vice President and Kittikachorn)
- Army Probers Inspect Ruins of My Lai Huts
- Page 2 -- U.S. Ready to Continue Soviet Talks on Mid-East
- President Cuts Oriental Design Carpet Tariff
- Gambling Panel to Call Sports Figures in Probe
- Hershey Directive Upset as Protesters Win Case
- Page 3 -- Nixon Meets Budget Chief to Finish Fiscal Estimates
- Report of Soviet Build-Up Spurs New Anti-Missile Program
- Nixon Host to 21 Leaders from Abroad Last Year

Washington Sunday Star

- Page 1 -- Agnew Emphasizes Self-Help by Asians/Hails Thais for Defense Against Reds
- Nixon, Hope Prepare to Tee Off (w/excellent photo)
- Rackets Fight Turns to Mail/Post Office Joins War
- Poverty Program Languish
- Page 2 -- Censoring Claimed by G.I. Newscaster
- CAB Proposal Threatens Fringe Benefits at Pentagon
- U.S. Opposes Schools Plan in Richmond

Washington Sunday Star - continued

- Page 3 -- G.I.s Throw Back Red Attack (w/photo)
-- "Progress" Back in Style in Talk of Vietnam War

Washington Post

- Page 1 -- Exodus into Suburbia Frustrates Integration
-- Agnew Stresses Self-Help/Praises Thais
-- Most Classrooms Still Segregated, U.S. Study Finds
-- Crisis in Health Care Grows Despite Medicare Success
-- G.I.s on Hilltop Repulse North Vietnamese Assault
-- ABM Speed-up to be Sought
-- (Photo of Bob Hope and the President at Lakeside Country Club....lower right hand corner of front page. . no accompanying article)
- Page 2 -- Democrats Will Blame GOP for Rising Crime
-- Army Moves to Curb Anti-War Center (Barbara Garson's Coffee House near Fort Lewis, Washington. ..w/photo of Miss Garson)
-- Social Security Benefits 1 in 8 Americans
- Page 3 -- Scientists' View of Future Crowded, Polluted
-- War on Pollution Called Scattered, Ineffective

From. A. P. ^A/_P Butterfield

January 5, 1970

I. DAILY NEWS PLAN CRITIQUE

A. Events programmed to be major White House news items
January 2-4, 1970 ... and reviews of news play given to each.

1. MEETING WITH BOB HOPE - GOLF

a. Newspapers

Reported in area papers as lead in round-up
accounts of President's activities Friday and
Saturday. Star ran wire service picture above
fold (page 1) and Post ran it below the fold.

b. Television

Network news (CBS and NBC) not reviewed Saturday
evening.

2. REDUCTION IN IMPORT TARIFFS ON CARPETS

a. Newspapers

Reported with business news in urban papers.

b. Television

Not reported.

3. AWARD OF SCIENCE MEDALS

a. Newspapers

Reported randomly in larger papers

b. Television

Not reported.

B. The leading Administration news item was.

-- HEW drops "blacklist"... page 1 accounts ran in
New York Times and Washington Post. Film reports
(2-3 minutes) aired on NBC and CBS Friday, with
comment by HEW Under Secretary Veneman.

C. The leading network news items were:

- ABC: Crackdown on Sports Gambling
- CBS: The Vice President in Asia
- NBC: Mid-East Situation

II. MEDIA MONITORING REPORT

A. Of 11 news publications and TV programs monitored regularly, * none reported information in a manner justifying counter action. However, 3 observers reported favorable news and/or commentary.

CBS Evening News (January 2) - had considerable footage -- approximately 5 minutes' worth -- of the Vice President in Taiwan. . . . along with very favorable commentary.

CBS Morning News (January 5) - Casper Weinberger, new FTC boss, was interviewed and did very well. He was exceptionally articulate in talking about past FTC criticisms and his plans for looking into whatever problems might really exist. It was a positive report.

New York Times (January 4) - in wrap-up of weekly news, the Vice President was given credit for "looking very good" on his Asian visit. Whereas some had thought old timers like Chiang would "eat up" the Vice President, he (Agnew) was observed to have carried his own very well. . . . like a born diplomat. When interviewed by reporters, the Vice President seemed surprised that others were surprised by his ability to "stand toe-to-toe", as it were. He pointed out that he had been a labor lawyer and had done a great deal of negotiating in his lifetime. All in all, it was a good write-up of the Vice President and his activities.

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.

Personal for [redacted] HALDEMAN (Western White House)

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CHRONOLOGY OF WHITE HOUSE / ADMINISTRATION NEWS PLAY IN AREA PAPERS

WASH. EV. STAR:

- pg 1 Agnew Assures Taipei on Treaty / Explains Move to Cut
Tension With Red China (w/photo of VP waving CHINA flag)
Now or Never, Nixon SAYS of WATER + Air Cleanup / New Council
Created (w/photo of the President shivering from "Chilly cold")
HEW to Halt Blacklisting of Scientists
Nixon Ushers in New Decade With Telephone Marathon
- pg 2 U.S. to Air Tariff Benefits of Firms Near Mexico Border
Justice Weighing Trial of Foes of Fitzgerald
Defense "Contracting-Out" Draws Fire From GAO
Perot Arrives Home, Asks Mail Campaign (w/photo of Perot)
- pg 3 Guard Decency, Hoover Asks / 1969 Accomplishments of FBI Listed

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Wash. Post

- pg 1. U.S. Support Firm, Agnew Tells Chiang (w/photo - presenting Moon rocks)
Black List Dropped by HEW / Finch Relaxes Security Checks on Scientists
Jobs Center Closes, U.S. Bars Funds
Hell Action Expected on Crime Bills
- pg 2. Dual School System Seen Vanishing from South by Fall
1,000 Protest Mississippi Integration Orders
Militants "Inflamed From Without" Hoover SAYS in Summary of the Year

N.Y. Times

- pg 1 Finch Relaxes Security Checks for Consultants
Agnew Supports U.S.-Peking Talks, Assures Taiwan (w/photo)
U.S. Raids Attack Gaming Syndicate

NIXON USHERS IN NEW DECADE WITH A PHONE MARATHON

President Nixon, like many of us, apparently became nostalgic at the beginning of the new decade and made a few telephone calls to friends—including FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover

Nixon called Guy Lombardo during a television program in which one of the numbers was "Auld Lang Syne" and Lombardo later returned the call.

Nixon also called University of Texas Coach Darrell Royal, whose Longhorns beat Notre Dame, 21-17, in the Cotton Bowl, and University of Southern California Coach John McKay USC defeated Michigan, 10-3, in the Rose Bowl.

Nixon called Hoover, who observed his 75th birthday yesterday, to extend his best wishes.

WASHINGTON EVENING STAR
— JAN 2nd 1970 —

(... inset just below center of front page)

Sent via
CDX Jan 3

Chen

January 2, 1970

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. STUART

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

The President understood completely your message on Christmas gifts which I relayed to him on December 24th. He asked, however, that you follow up on getting the rings for Mrs. Nixon and Tricia. Although he said nothing about a particular future occasion, I got the impression that he wanted the rings as soon as they can be made available.

Many thanks.

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(As of 10.00 A.M. EST, Jan 2)

Washington Eve. Star

- Page 1 -- Agnew Visits Troops in Vietnam/Assures GIs U.S. Supports Them 100 Percent
- Delay Integration Until Fall, U.S. Asks
- U.S. War Deaths Top 40,000
- President Signs Bills, Watches Bowl Games
- Page 2 -- Forgery Charged in FCC Bid (BeLieu case)
- Burch Scores in FCC Colleague
- Most Admired American Women List Led by Mrs. Eisenhower (w/photo of Mamie)
- Nixon Names NIH Scientist for Medal
- U.S. Court Backs Radio, TV Code on Cigarette Ads

Washington Post

- Page 1 -- GIs Hear Agnew at Two Bases/Vice President Confers With Saigon Chiefs (w/2 photos ... one of Vice President greeting group of infantrymen and other of Vice President conferring with Thieu)
- Pollution Fight Set by Nixon/President Signs Measure for Council on Environment (w/photo of President holding signed Bill)
- Truce Ends in Vietnam, Eleven Enemy Die
- School Battle in South Not Yet Won
- Page 2 -- Report Suggests Ways to Reduce "Impact" School Aid
- Line-Crossing Desertions Rise
- Public Pessimistic on Preventing War/The Harris Survey
- Dr. Mayer Denies He Will Seek Kennedy Seat

New York Times

- Page 1 -- Nixon Promises Urgent Fight to End Pollution/Signs Measure to Establish Three-Member Council for Environmental Quality/"Now or Never" Effort/President Says U.S. Must Reclaim Purity of Air and Water in This Decade (full text of President's statement on page 12)
- Agnew Ends Visit to Vietnam, Hailing U.S. Policy as Right (w/photo)
- Administration Expected to Seek ABM Expansion

Personal for Mr. Haldeman at the Western White House

Chronology of Major White House/Administration News Play in Area Newspapers
(As of 10:00 A.M. EST, Jan 1)

Washington Eve. Star

- Page 1 -- U.S. Raises Mortgage Rate to 8-1/2 Percent, Patman Plans Fight
- Army To Try Sergeant in Mylai Probe
- Agnew to Meet Thieu in Saigon, Visit U.S. Troops
- Thieu Faces Political Challenge (fourth in series "The Changing War" ... w/photo)
- Page 2 -- Goodbye New York -- Nixons Are Becoming Californians Again (w/photo of President and Tricia in golf cart)
- Nixon considering General Mills Aide for ICC Chairman
- Last Day at Pentagon Near for C-5A Critic (w/photo of Fitzgerald)
- Pentagon's Cost Controls Again Assailed by GAO
- SBA Answers Critics of Aid After Hurricane
- Page 3 -- Saigon Prepares Security Setup for Arrival of Agnew
- Allen Says U.S. Must Give Education Higher Priority (w/photo of James Allen)
- Enlarge Mayor's Role, Model Cities Panel Asks

Washington Post

- Page 1 -- Truce Shattered, Five Americans Dead
- Second GI Charged in Mylai Case
- U.S. Asks Fall Date for Desegregation
- Nixon Aide Says Name Was Forged in TV Case (re Belieu)

Washington Post - Continued

- Page 2 -- Allen Dissatisfied With State of Education (w/photo of James Allen)
- POSEIDON Cost Doubled, Proxmire Says
- Press Group Calls Agnew Top Threat (group referred to is International Press Institute)
- GI Captain Accused of Viet Death

New York Times

- Page 1 -- Thieu Victorious As House Scores Three Members Guilty of Pro-Red Activities
- New Delay Asked in Desegregation/Justice Department Pledges to Press Six Southern States To Meet Fall Deadline
- Budget Draft Hints U.S. Health Units Face A Lean Year
- Second Trial Ordered in Songmy Incident

MEMORANDUM

**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON**

February 9, 1970

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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Director James J. Rowley
U. S. Secret Service**

As you know, Mr. John Ehrlichman is no longer involved directly in Secret Service matters. Responsibility for maintaining a close liaison with the Secret Service (and the White House Police) was shifted to my office on November 4th -- the same day that he (Mr. Ehrlichman) was named Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs.

The following information should make clear my areas of concern.

- General day-to-day Secret Service matters ... i.e. liaison with Secret Service headquarters and the Special Agent in Charge of the Presidential Protective Division, standard operating procedures, office space and locations, composition of units assigned to the President and members of the First Family, etc.
- Issuing of Secret Service identification pins.
- Periodic and interim reports re threats to the President and members of the First Family.
- Periodic and interim reports re persons seeking (in some unusual manner) an audience with the President, members of the First Family, or key members of the White House Staff.
- Periodic and interim reports re unauthorized penetrations of the White House grounds or Presidential living and working areas outside of Washington, D. C.
- Periodic and interim reports re security violations.

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- Questions relating to granting various persons access to the White House grounds and Presidential living and working areas outside of Washington, D. C.
- Questions relating to Secret Service and/or White House Police policies.
- Personnel security clearances (i. e. FBI files, background investigations, etc.).

Mr. Egil Krogh's areas of interest are:

- Liaison with the Justice Department.
- All matters relating to law and order ... i. e. civil disobedience, demonstrations, riots, etc.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

bcc: Mr. Ehrlichman
Mr. Krogh
Dr. Kissinger
Mr. Timmons

INFO CY TO MR. HOPKINS

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February 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MELENCAMP
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Presidential Letter

On February 11th, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Buclaw, Jr. sent a wire to the President saying that they planned to send him an Irish setter puppy as a Valentine gift. (A copy of the telegram is attached.)

I made a telephone call to Mr. Buclaw and was successful in "turning him off". As a matter of fact, I caught him only minutes before he was to leave his house for the airport. When I explained that the President was deeply touched by his thoughtfulness ... but that he urged him to reconsider in view of the fact that the First Family has 3 dogs already, etc. ... he was very understanding and agreed to cancel the plan. However, he did ask if news of his gesture had appeared, or would appear, in local Washington papers, so he could well be a publicity seeker; but because there is no way to prove this I think a short note for the signature of the President would be appropriate.

Thank you.

Attachment

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

You asked for the names of the 2 "unidentified" White House staffers mentioned in the attached report. The FBI could provide nothing further but some discreet in-house checking has led me to the almost certain conclusion that the persons referred to are Len Garment and Bill Safire. It is a fact that both Len and Bill, together, met and talked to Gloria Steinem at a recent party. The party could be the occasion which Schwartz describes as a dinner or a dinner could well have followed the party.

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