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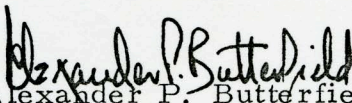
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

SUBJECT: Early-Autumn Calendar

In anticipation of your active contributions to the campaigns of Congressional and Senatorial candidates -- by way of personal appearances, et cetera during the months of September and October -- I am taking this early opportunity to remind you to keep your calendars as free as possible of other commitments during that particular time.


Alexander P. Butterfield

Deputy Assistant to the President

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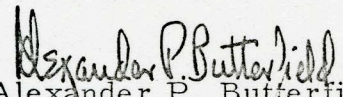
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MEMORANDUM FOR: (See listing at bottom of memo)

SUBJECT: Briefing Materials

The enclosed briefing materials should be of particular interest to the sub-Cabinet members in your Department. Therefore -- in accordance with the procedures we discussed earlier today on the telephone -- I would appreciate your Xeroxing as many additional copies as you will need and distributing one packet each to those senior Departmental officials who in your opinion will be able to put the information to its best use.

Many thanks.


Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Enclosure

Individual memos with enclosure sent to:

Mr. Peter Johnson, Special Assistant to Sec State
Mr. Rex Beech, Deputy Assistant to Sec Treasury
Mr. Carl Wallace, Special Assistant to Sec Defense
Mr. Sol Lindenbaum, Executive Assistant to the Attorney General
Mr. Holman Head, Executive Assistant to the Postmaster General
Mr. Patrick Ryan, Executive Assistant to Sec Interior
Mr. Fritz Behrens, Executive Assistant to Sec Agriculture
Mr. Paul O'Day, Executive Assistant to Sec Commerce
Mr. David P. Taylor, Executive Assistant to Sec Labor
Mr. Warren Hendricks, Assistant to Sec of HEW
Mr. John Chapin, Special Assistant to Sec of HUD
Mr. Joe Bosco, Special Assistant to Sec Transportation

SURVEY OF MAY 18-19, 1970

Following are the results of 1,053 interviews taken by telephone on May 18-19. Five hundred and three (503) respondents were male, and 550 were female.

"Do you approve or disapprove of the way Richard Nixon is handling his job as President?"

	Total	Male	Female
Approve	59	64	55
Disapprove	26	24	27
Don't Know	15	12	18

	Total	Male	Female
Have seen, heard, or read	94	93	95
Have not seen, heard, or read	6	7	5

Asked of respondents who have seen, heard, or read about protestors.

"Do you approve or disapprove of these student protestors?"

Approve	19	21	18
Disapprove	72	73	70
Don't Know	9	6	12

"President Nixon has decided to assist South Vietnam with American support in actions against North Vietnamese Communist forces in Cambodia. Do you approve or disapprove of this decision?"

Approve	53	63	43
Disapprove	32	27	36
Don't Know	15	10	21

"Some colleges and universities have closed down as a result of student protests over the war in Vietnam. Do you approve or disapprove of closing down colleges and universities for this reason?"

Approve	23	23	22
Disapprove	70	72	69
Don't Know	7	5	9

Several thousand students conducted a demonstration in Washington on May 9 against the President's Vietnam policies. Do you approve or disapprove with this Washington demonstration?

	Total	Male	Female
Approve	32	31	33
Disapprove	59	64	55
Don't Know	9	5	12

Do you approve or disapprove with calling in the National Guard in situations where student protestors cannot be handled by college authorities?

Approve	81	81	81
Disapprove	14	15	12
Don't Know	5	4	7

Some people have proposed that colleges and universities should close down for two weeks next fall so that students can campaign for peace candidates in the election. Do you approve or disapprove with this proposal?

Approve	31	32	30
Disapprove	58	59	57
Dont Know	11	9	13

Some people have proposed that colleges and universities close down for two weeks next fall to encourage students to go out and campaign for candidates of their own choice in the elections. Do you agree or disagree with this proposal?

Approve	30	33	28
Disapprove	58	57	59
Don't Know	12	10	13

DENIS WARNER . . .

Calls Move Into Cambodia Essential

By Denis Warner

THE CAMBODIANS were so short of defensive equipment when the war began that on the road leading northeast from Phnom Penh to Kompong Cham the military built roadblocks out of large porcelain jars filled with stones.



DENIS
WARNER

Even if the Cambodians had possessed much higher military skills and had been much more adequately equipped, their numbers were far from sufficient. Against the perhaps 40,-

000 North Vietnamese and Viet Cong troops engaged against them, they either had to risk defeat in detail by trying to defend too much territory, or to pull back and concentrate on the defense of the capital, and a few vital lines of communication, especially the road and railway to Sihanoukville.

Just how long they might have been able to hold out even here depended primarily on Hanoi's inclinations.

All Supplies Through Port

It was a reasonable assumption two weeks ago that the creation of a People's Republic of Cambodia, imposed by Vietnamese force of arms, and under the name of Prince Norodom Sihanouk, was only a matter of time.

I used to question quite seriously how

much military aid the Viet Cong and the North Vietnamese received through Sihanoukville before Mar. 18. I know now that a first-class fleet of 150 trucks was working full-time in Cambodia to meet the military and economic needs of the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces in the Saigon and Mekong delta area. All the military supplies came through Sihanoukville.

I am convinced that South Vietnam could not survive the withdrawal of the American forces if Sihanoukville were to

Denis Warner, an Australian, has been reporting on Southeast Asia for more than 25 years.

become another Haiphong. Under the circumstances, then, President Nixon had to act or to admit defeat. Measured against the bitter opposition he knew he would encounter in the United States, his decision to attack the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong sanctuaries in Cambodia is one of the boldest and bravest political acts of our times.

If it has helped to enlarge the Vietnam war, it has at the same time put the power of the United States in the path of an act of aggression that seemed certain to capture Cambodia and to destroy all hopes for the Vietnamization program in South Vietnam.

Nothing teaches more quickly than experience in battle, and several weeks ago the Cambodians were beginning to fight

with greater professionalism. Against the best guerrilla and non-conventional forces in the world, however, they had little hope.

Communists Left Early

At the same time, it is not easy to be confident that the present action will produce the sort of results that the American public will be looking for as a sign of success. Aerial photography, sensors and ground reconnaissance have pinpointed the bases and much is known about their whereabouts, nature and size.

But the Communist move out of the sanctuaries began as early as Mar. 20 and was no doubt accelerated by an early, and apparently unreported, South Vietnamese air attack. Great supplies of weapons and communications equipment will certainly be captured, but the birds in COSVN, Hanoi's command post for South Vietnam, were always fairly well decentralized, as were the installations in which they operated.

Though the American action will help Cambodian morale and slow down North Vietnamese and Viet Cong military actions around Phnom Penh, these are not results that can be precisely determined. Nor do they seem likely to change North Vietnam's will to win.

It may yet begin to appear that the Nixon bid has been a failure, but for Nixon not to have tried would have been a catastrophe.

Cambodia Invasion Reported Upsetting Hanoi's Timetable

By John T. Wheeler
Associated Press

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia, May 19—A Communist source said today that the allied offensive in Cambodia might have upset Hanoi's timetable for Indochina.

The source, who is in frequent contact with the North Vietnamese high command, said Communist intelligence learned of the allied plans several days in advance and all major units were out of the path long before allied air and ground forces hit.

Reports from the field indicated that allied kill claims were overly optimistic but that North Vietnamese and

Vietcong casualties had been serious nonetheless, according to the source. The heaviest blow was the large amount of stockpiled weapons and food captured, plus a major disruption of Communist communications in the onetime sanctuaries of eastern Cambodia.

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The source also said that East Bloc intelligence agents here closely investigated the March 18 coup that brought Lon Nol to power and concluded the United States played no part in it.

No White House

PEREGRINE WORSTHORNE says the North Vietnamese will find that in President Nixon they face a man who will not let go

Weakling

THE first and perhaps the most important point to notice about the American crisis over Cambodia is that the man in charge, President Nixon, is not what most of the American and British Press say he is—a weakling posing as a warrior, a panicky opportunist trying to prove himself a heroic statesman, a chronic trickster reverting to form. His critics might be better off if he were, since weaklings, opportunists and tricksters are at least flexible and tend to bend before the wind, without waiting to be broken.

Mr. Nixon, however, is a man who does not easily give way, whose political reputation was originally made by refusing to give way; by refusing to give way, moreover, to precisely those forces of political liberalism, ideological dissent and youthful idealism which are today once again ranging themselves against him in furious condemnation.

The original occasion, of course, was the case of the American traitor Alger Hiss, hero of the American “establishment”, whom Mr. Nixon single-handedly exposed, defying the whole massed weight of “informed” opinion which was convinced of his innocence.

I was in Washington during those years. Richard Nixon was the victim then of a sustained and vitriolic smear campaign. Polite society refused to touch him with a barge-pole, let alone the hand of friendship. He was a social and political pariah, shunned and derided. Yet he refused to bend, and was eventually proved abundantly right, although never forgiven by those he proved wrong.

This was the beginning of the myth of “Tricky Dicky”. What is the point of recalling this story today? Because it shows Mr. Nixon to be the very opposite of what his detractors accuse him of being. It

shows him to be determined to the point of obstinacy, thick-skinned, single-minded and, once convinced of the rightness of his cause, relentless and ruthless in his pursuit.

It is too early to be sure that the Cambodian operation is such a cause. The signs from Washington still suggest a certain Presidential ambivalence. But if the President has set his heart on it, no amount of protest will deflect him from it.

Compared to both John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson, each of whose political careers was marked by extreme political deviousness, Richard Nixon stands out as having always been remarkably consistent; consistently anti-Communist, starting long before it was fashionable to be so, long before Joe McCarthy. Nixon did not climb on to a bandwagon. When he started his campaign to bring Hiss to justice anti-Communism was a derelict, miserable wheelbarrow.

This, then, is the man in charge at the White House today, not the caricature presented by so much of the Press. Hitherto the Vietnam war has not been Mr. Nixon's war. This might not matter if he really were “Tricky Dicky”, since such a President, recognising the weight of opposition mounting against him, or recognising that the military gamble had failed, would have no scruples about getting out. But the real Mr. Nixon is not a type to let go easily.

The danger is that the North Vietnamese may have grievously miscalculated, encouraged to believe that they were dealing with a caricature rather than the reality. The overthrow of Prince Sihanouk presented them with a great temptation: to make a bid for total control of Cambodia, with all this would mean in rendering the American position in South Vietnam untenable. But in giving way to this temptation, thereby provoking the American reaction, they have pushed Mr. Nixon into

the hawkish camp, without perhaps realising what this may mean.

How could they be expected to realise, since the picture painted of the President in his own country is so grossly misleading? They probably still believe that they are dealing with a weakling posing as a warrior. This mistake, for which the American Press must bear the responsibility, could cost the world a tragically high price.

But the highest price for this misunderstanding may well be paid by America herself. One reads the *New York Times*, for example, with dreadful fascination as it trots out all the arguments most certain to inflame student opinion against the Cambodian operation, practically encouraging them to take to the streets and campuses in violent opposition. Does this organ of the liberal establishment not realise what manner of President they are inciting the students to confront?

The *New York Post*, another such organ, sought to suggest last week that Mr. Nixon's Cambodian foray was the action of an impotent man seeking to demonstrate his virility, the implication being that he could easily be

frightened off by a show of real strength. This is playing with fire with a vengeance. So also is our own *New Statesman's* ludicrous comparison between the Nixon of today and the Anthony Eden of the Suez period.

Can the Anglo-American liberal establishment not realise that the man now in the White House is a formidable figure, who has to be taken seriously—a President who believes in his cause just as passionately as they believe in theirs, and who will prove just as relentless, yes and just as violent in opposing them as they are likely to be in opposing him?

Unfortunately it is not the editors of these liberal organs who will be in the firing-line. They merely incite the students from the safe sanctuary of their editorial ivory towers. It is the students who will pay the price, as is already bloodily apparent. Such is the terrible, inexorable logic that flows from the false premise of the "Tricky Dicky" legend, propagation of which inflames the public not only to hate their President, which is crazy enough, but also to underestimate him, which could prove calamitous.

Mr. Nixon is not Lyndon B. Johnson. He will not abdicate. Nor can he. It is madness to suppose that the forces of protest can humiliate two Presidents in swift succession, without calling into question the very basis of constitutional government. Even if his character did not incline him to be tough, his situation forces him to be so. For a second President to allow his foreign policy to be shaped by campus pressure would turn America into a kindergarten State. Better a divided America, convulsed in tumult, than one united under the domination of student princes whose idea of statecraft is inspired by nothing weightier than John Lennon's melody "All We Are Saying Is Give Peace a Chance."

That, believe it or not, is the refrain that they will be singing this weekend in front of the White House. Presumably the Labour party Left will find the spectacle deeply moving. Others, however, would not wish to see the free world's shield reduced to a sounding-board for current "Top of the Pops", the voice of America taken

over by the sound of beat—in every sense—music.

This is what is now at stake in the United States. Of course the Cambodian operation is a gamble. Nobody can be confident of its successful outcome. But it is part of a coherent and potentially statesmanlike strategy to enable South Vietnam, and indeed South-East Asia generally, to develop in its own way, without having the political patterns determined—as they have been in Eastern Europe—by the presence of a Red Army. The strategy can be debated and criticised, and plainly it is desirable that it should be.

But student protest has to be recognised for what it has become: a totally irrational and hysterical escape into unreality. It is not based on any coherent alternative foreign policy. If the student will is allowed to prevail, a situation will develop wherein the strongest power the world has ever known is reduced literally to puerility.

What is so terrifying is that influential figures on both sides of the Atlantic are prepared to urge the President to make concessions, to take the protest seriously, all in the name of avoiding strife and turmoil. The great organs of the American East Coast Press lend the students their support. This is inexcusable irresponsibility. It is silly enough for students to claim, and be encouraged in so doing, to run the universities. But they are now claiming to run American foreign policy, indeed the American Government. Such is the really terrifying escalation not of the war but of the movement against the war. This is what has got to be halted, peacefully if possible—the President is clearly not seeking a confrontation—but with force if necessary.

"Tricky Dicky" would certainly not be the man to stand up to the challenge. That is why it is so important that everybody should realise—and the sooner the better—that the man in the White House is not "Tricky Dicky" but somebody whose true measure his enemies both at home and abroad have always failed to take, as they may, with luck, be about to discover.

Richard M. Nixon: A Man Born To The Presidency



**Holmes
Alexander**

WASHINGTON—President Nixon is in the roughest waters of his presidency, and yet I think the country “sleeps better” to know that he’s in the White House.

His professionalism under stress is a joy to behold. The town last weekend was a mob scene, the Business Council at Hot Springs was wringing its hands over the economy, the stock market reeled, unemployment was reported to be mounting and nobody could prove that inflation had come under control.

But if you could find panic, it wasn’t at the White House where the Nixons held church service that Sunday. We used to hear of Herbert Hoover moping around the mansion in Depression days, and of Lyndon Johnson flopping around in bathrobe and slippers as he awaited reports from the front in the early morning hours. Mr. Nixon these days is calm and debonair.

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THE PRESIDENT is not so much a popular leader as he is a manager of the government at all its levels. I think that he is this because, for one reason at least, he is entirely at ease in the White House and fully enjoys life there. He’s a man to the manor born.

We sometimes still think of Richard Nixon as a child of poverty and a tough political fighter. But his family was Early American, far more so than that of John F. Kennedy and Dwight Eisenhower. Nixon ancestors fought in the Revolution and the Civil War. Plutocracy is not aristocracy. The Nixons and their daughters were intimates at the White House long before his election. No President in our century, unless it was Franklin Roosevelt, is more of a patrician

in the best sense of the word. Sen. Joe Tydings (D-Md.) in a recent floor speech paid the President a deserved compliment.

“Years ago my grandfather told me,” said Tydings, “that the true definition of a gentleman was a person who treats the most humble person, from whom he has no hope of reward, with the same courtesy and with the same kindness with which he might treat a very powerful individual from whom he expected to curry favor.”

Tydings then cited an article by columnist Hugh Sidey of TIME magazine which told of the President’s innumerable kindnesses to his White House personnel and subordinates. These are all bits in the mosaic of the Nixon character as the country is coming to know it. Civility in high office is a mark of confidence as well as gentility. The master of the amenities is the captain of his soul.

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THE OTHER NIGHT he presided with the utmost charm as master of ceremonies in presenting Medals of Freedom to seven veterans of the press. He was the star of the show as he ad-libbed anecdotes and drew on his amazing memory for stories back into his boyhood. And yet while he spoofed and reminisced among old and new friends, he seemed never more than a micro-mood from the puzzles that are his to solve across the whole chessboard of world affairs. I marveled that a man with so much on his mind could be so much at ease, and next day I got a clue from a warm close friend of his, Rep. Page Belcher (R., Okla.).

“You won’t understand Dick Nixon,” Belcher said. “unless you take in his Quaker upbringing. It’s a Quaker requirement that when something needs doing, you do it regardless of consequences to yourself.”

Soon afterwards there was Mr. Nixon telling the country on television that he had been warned of the political consequences of moving into Cambodia, but that he’d rather be a one-term President than to leave the United States a second-rate power.

Some of the man’s serenity must flow from the self-knowledge that he dares to do right and does not count the cost to himself.

Chron

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 27, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. KROGH
MR. HUSTON

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD *A*

This is just a short reminder of the briefing to be held in my office
at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 28th. (Don Hughes will not be present ...
having witnessed the presentation last week.)

Clara

May 27, 1970

Memo for:

From: Alexander P. Butterfield

I am attaching for your interest and convenience a personal copy of the guest list for the luncheon today at the White House.

Attachment

Identical (original) memos
sent to:

Hon. Lyndon Johnson
Secretary Laird
Secretary Volpe
Director Rumsfeld
Mr. Harlow
Mr. Timmons

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May 26, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: State Gifts Received from
President and Mrs. Soeharto

I have just been advised by Ambassador Mosbacher's office that President and Mrs. Soeharto have presented you, Mrs. Nixon, Tricia and Julie gifts as indicated below:

For you

- A large, hand-carved ivory tusk resting in a stand of ironwood. The red velvet cover is embroidered in gold with the Seal of Indonesia.
- A Batik sport shirt.

For Mrs. Nixon

- A gold evening bag bearing a gold wirework floral design.
- A Batik robe.

For Tricia and Julie

- Each girl was given a 22 karat gold bracelet with graduated wirework and beadwork rosettes.

May 26, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Reminder of Gifts Selected and
Approved for Presentation to
President and Mrs. Soeharto

For President Soeharto

- A miniature replica of the White House ... 18 karat gold with a malachite roof. It bears an appropriate presentation inscription, and was designed and created by David Webb.

For Mrs. Soeharto

- A gilt bronze carriage clock with "The White House" written on its face.

For President and Mrs. Soeharto

- A signed family portrait photograph in a silver frame bearing a vermeil Presidential seal.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 26, 1970

PERSONAL/ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. TIMMONS
MR. KEOGH
MR. NOFZIGER
MR. SAFIRE

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Talking Paper re The Economy

It is my understanding that we have in the mill a talking paper concerning the economy -- one designed to serve as a briefing guide for the use of Senators and Congressmen during the Memorial Day break. It is essential that we move quickly on this project so that the paper reaches as many of the intended recipients as possible. That means that it should be distributed no later than 4:00 or 5:00 p.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, May 27th.

Thank you.

cc: Dr. Herb Stein,
Council of Economic Advisors

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From: Alexander P. Butterfield

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Sec Kennedy
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Sec Stans
Dr. McCracken
Mr. Flanigan
Mr. Colson

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May 25, 1970

Memo for:

From: Alexander P. Butterfield

I am attaching for your interest and convenience a personal copy of the guest list for the dinner tomorrow night at the White House.

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sent to:

Sec Laird
Sec Hickel
Sec Volpe
Under Sec Richardson
Under Sec Volcker
Dr. Kissinger
Mr. C. Wilkinson

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May 25, 1970

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Mr. John A. Sandor
Assistant to the Chief, Forest Service
U. S. Department of Agriculture
Room 3008, South Agriculture Building
Washington, D. C. 20250

Dear Mr. Sandor:

We have decided to delay until early next spring our plans for transplanting a tree from California. Will you please pass that word to Mr. Wise and others in the San Francisco area who knew of the project.

Meanwhile, my thanks to you for your able assistance and good advice. I will stay in touch.

Sincerely,

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

cc: Mr. E. Fritz Behrens
Executive Assistant to the
Secretary of Agriculture

bcc: Mr. Chapin
Mr. Scouten

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MEMORANDUM

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May 25, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAGRUDER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Article for Distribution

Keeping in mind that the information in the attached article comes from a Communist source, the underlined "admissions" are highly significant. As I'm sure you will agree, the headline is not as descriptive as it could be; for that reason, and because the piece was stashed back on page A-26, the really important words ("possibly for years"), midway down in the second column, went largely unnoticed.

I pass it on to you as an item which might well be given wide distribution.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Chotiner
Mr. Dent
Mr. Keogh
Mr. Klein
Mr. Nofziger
Mr. Safire
Mr. Ziegler

Cambodia Invasion Reported Upsetting Hanoi's Timetable

By John T. Wheeler

Associated Press

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Communist source admits that President Nixon's decision to move forcefully against North Vietnam and Viet Cong supply depots in Cambodia border sanctuaries has set back the Communists' timetable "POSSIBLY FOR YEARS."

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARRY FLEMMING
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Security File on Richard Lucas,
Director of the Bureau of Mines

I do not believe the security file on Director Richard Lucas should be released to Senator Jackson, and I intend to retain it in the custody of Miss Gertrude Brown, Security Assistant.

cc: Mr. David Lissy

bcc: Trudy Brown

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE STAFF SECRETARY
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Paul D. Cornely

I have just noticed the name of Paul D. Cornely among some 20 others appointed to serve as members of the President's Commission on Population Growth in the American Future. The purpose of this correspondence is to inform you that Dr. Cornely's appointment was disapproved on April 22nd, and that no reconsideration has been given to that decision to date.

His name should be stricken from Mr. Flemming's May 22nd memorandum to the President.

cc: Mr. Hopkins
Mr. Flemming
Mr. Millspaugh

bcc: Trudy Brown

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May 25, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: Proposed Overseas Travel by
Secretary Romney

Secretary Romney is planning an official visit to Europe during the approximate period of June 21-July 5, 1970. See the attached memorandum for details.

Attachment

cc: Mr. William Watts

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

My dear Mr. Secretary:

There is considerable and widespread controversy on many of our college and university campuses because of the disfavor with which some students and faculty members view their institutions' policies to accept funds for defense research purposes.

In view of this controversy, and because every educational institution has the right to decide for itself what its policies will be with regard to this and other matters, I believe it is time for a thorough review by participating colleges and universities of the defense contract question. Each of ~~them~~ should be given the opportunity to re-examine the issue in the light of whatever pressures exist in its community and specify its resultant ratification or change of present policy.

Accordingly, I want you to take whatever steps are necessary to insure that after July 1, 1970 no Department of Defense research funds are made available, by grant or contract, to any college or university which by that date has not affirmatively indicated in accordance with its own decision-making procedures - which may include a vote of the

faculty or academic Senate - its desire to continue to participate, without qualification, in defense-supported research projects ... unless of course the Secretary of Defense shall determine that a particular grant or contract is essential in the interest of the national security.

The Honorable Melvin R. Laird
The Secretary of Defense
Washington, D. C.

APB:cg/May 24, 1970

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May 24, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Your instructions of May 23

Mailings: The mailings you requested have been completed, except for the piece by Denis Warner. The RNC will insure its distribution, as you specified, on Monday and Tuesday of this coming week.

Executive Order re defense research contracts: Your staff recommended that the Executive Order we discussed last night take the form of a letter from you to Secretary Laird. That letter - coordinated fully with Ehrlichman, Mayo, DuBridge, Secretary Laird and Ziegler (who is prepared to make the announcement tomorrow morning) - is attached hereto and ready for signature.

Personal Comment - You should know that both of these actions were underway prior to your telephone calls to me - the mailings in accordance with a Klein-Magruder Game Plan, and the Executive Order in accordance with a memorandum from Ehrlichman to Mayo (attached).

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 23, 1970

11:30 A.M.

PERSONAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

SUBJECT: Briefing Materials

Here is this morning's statistical report on cumulative U.S. successes in the Cambodia operation. (The next such report will be dispatched on Monday.)

I am enclosing also the results of a recent nationwide telephone poll. As you will notice, they indicate, among other things (all contrary to what we are being told by liberal news publishers, columnists and commentators), that a scientifically selected sampling of the American electorate approves of the way the President is handling his job.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Alexander P. Butterfield

Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachments

PERSONAL

Chron

May 22, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. LUCY WINCHESTER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Please proceed with the event now planned for June 9, 10 and 11.

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May 22, 1970

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

This morning at 11:15 I accepted on behalf of the President a huge batch of petitions bearing signatures of Vermont citizens who stand solidly behind the President on the Vietnam (and Cambodia) issue. Those in the delegation -- from Rutland, Vermont -- were: Messrs. Joseph Jones, Stewart Smith, Luigi Sabatase, Richard Goddard, Donald Dubeau and Joseph Abel.

Is it your normal practice to jot persons such as these short notes of acknowledgment? I ask the question simply out of curiosity. In this case, it doesn't matter to me one way or the other. I gave each of them a Presidential "signing pen" and that alone seemed to make them happy.

Please add these 2500 names to our tapes.

Thank you.

May 22, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: SAIC Robert Taylor
Director, Presidential Protective Division
U. S. Secret Service

FROM: Alexander P. Butterfield

RE: Office Furnishings

Due to limitations being imposed on GSA expenditures, payment for carpeting, drapes and cornices selected for your East Wing office will have to be made from Secret Service funds.

May 22, 1970

PERSONAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. FLEMMING

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

RE: Security Checks for Prospective
Presidential Appointees

Prior to forwarding to the President memoranda requesting final approval of prospective appointees, please double-check -- especially with Miss Gertrude Brown, Security Assistant -- to insure that all necessary checks have (in fact) been completed ... as your last sentence in such memos clearly states. I've seen 2 pieces of correspondence recently in which the President was erroneously informed.

Many thanks.

PERSONAL

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May 21, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: B/GEN. HUGHES
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: White House (Military) Access Passes
Don:

I would appreciate your reviewing periodically -- perhaps 2-3 times per year -- the names and duties of persons under your jurisdiction to ascertain the absolute requirement of each for possessing a White House access pass. Perhaps you do this already -- and if so, fine. As you may know, we are in the midst of a concerted effort to drastically reduce the number of outstanding passes especially those which grant one unrestricted access to The Residence and the East and West Wing offices. Periodic reviews by personnel supervisors (such as the one I describe) will be of immeasurable assistance.

Many thanks.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 21, 1970

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: B/GEN. HUGHES
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

I am attaching 2 pieces of correspondence which concern a half-hour television series entitled "Nancy" ... scheduled to be telecast via the NBC-TV network during the 1970 fall season. You have probably heard of it already.

With reference to the shorter (April 30th) memorandum, I would appreciate your making certain that Paul Fisher, through his dealings (whatever they may be) with Mr. Raymond Bell, does not allow the studio people to get their feet in the door here at the White House. Whereas we can do nothing about the telecasting of the series, we can hold Screen Gems and Columbia Pictures at arms length and thereby preclude their associating closely with various Staff members, taking "scenery shots" on the grounds, and other such things which would enhance their advertising campaign and possibly serve as a "White House endorsement."

Thank you.

Attachments

bcc: SAIC Robert Taylor

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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May 21, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: B/General J. D. Hughes
Military Assistant to the President

SUBJECT: Promotion of Astronauts

The President approves the recommendation of the Secretary of Defense in his May 15th memorandum concerning the promotion of astronauts.

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

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 18, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Promotions of Astronauts

In essence, the attached memorandum from the Secretary of Defense for promotion of astronauts proposes a change to the wording of the criteria for second promotions for certain military astronauts. This change would permit the second promotion of astronauts involved in flights to an extraterrestrial body as opposed to the present wording which requires them to participate in flights involving a landing on an extraterrestrial body.

This proposed change would permit the promotion of astronauts Navy Commanders Young and Cernan of Apollo 10. I have been assured that this change would eliminate all inequities in the astronaut promotion system and is in the best interest of the program.

Accordingly, I recommend that you approve the recommendation of the Secretary of Defense.

The President

Approve *S*

_____ Disapprove

Alexander P. Butterfield
May 21, 1970

J. H.
GENERAL JAMES D. HUGHES

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

MAY 15 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Promotion of Astronauts

Since November of 1969 the President has promoted military astronauts on completion of successful space flights, subject to the following restrictions:

- a. Promotion to the next higher grade after first splashdown from a successful space flight.
- b. No further promotions on the basis of space flights for astronauts once promoted as in a., except that a second promotion would be effected for astronauts who participate in flights landing men on extraterrestrial bodies.
- c. No promotions above captain/colonel on the basis of space flights.
- d. Reserve astronauts not on active military duty would not be promoted pursuant to this policy.

Prior to November 1969 the policy did not include the exception contained in b. above.

The effect of the present policy denied second promotions to Commanders Young and Cernan of Apollo X whose accomplishments although hazardous and demanding did not include an actual landing on the moon, yet granted a second promotion to Captain Gordon of Apollo XII who personally did not land on the moon but piloted the command module as Commander Young did in Apollo X.

Due to these inequities, Vice President Agnew has recommended and I concur in changing the policy to permit promotion of those military astronauts who participate in flights to an extraterrestrial body. This change would authorize the Navy to promote Commanders Cernan and Young in recognition of their pioneering lunar orbit accomplishments. It would additionally take into consideration possible future flights to extraterrestrial bodies other than the moon.

The recommended policy would provide:

- a. Promotion to the next higher grade after first splashdown only.
- b. No further promotions on the basis of space flights for astronauts once promoted as in a., except that a second promotion would be effected for astronauts who participate in flights to extra-terrestrial bodies.
- c. No promotions above captain/colonel.
- d. Reserve astronauts not on active duty would not receive military promotions pursuant to above.



Approved _____

APB: [signature] for the President - May 21, 1970

Disapproved _____

Date _____

May 21, 1970

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROB ODLE
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: PICTUREPHONE Service

We will go ahead with the installation of some 8-10 PICTUREPHONE units ... on the trial basis which you and Charlie McWhorter spoke of during our recent meeting. Please be certain that the stipulation is made clear to Bell System officials that we have the option to say "no" and cancel out completely at the end of the trial period.

See me before you make any final plans.

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

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May 21, 1970

Mr. George Creel
Director of Public Affairs
Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Washington, D. C.

Dear George:

Just a note to acknowledge receipt
of your May 15th memorandum concerning
recent activities of the Secretary and Under
Secretary.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

May 21, 1970

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

At 11:30 this morning I received, on the President's behalf, 10,000 signatures of support from a New Jersey delegation of the "Loyal Americans on Guard" organization. The delegates are named in the first paragraph of the attached press release (which I understand was to be released early this afternoon by our own Press Office).

You should add these names to those already on our tapes.

Attachments

Chron

May 21, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Bryce Harlow is at Williamsburg and will not return until 2:30 or 3:00 p.m.

Bill Timmons believes that a meeting this afternoon with certain Senators would not be totally productive ... i.e. fully worth your time. It is Timmons' opinion that you should meet first with John Sherman Cooper since he is the key man to whatever strategy develops from this point forward. Whether you hold a subsequent meeting with the young Turks would depend upon the outcome of your session with Cooper.

I will discuss the matter with Bryce upon his return. Meanwhile, we will make no plans.

Chron

May 20, 1970

Honorable Russell E. Train
Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality
1016 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Russ:

I am writing this note to acknowledge (much later than I had planned) your April 23rd correspondence requesting White House passes for Messrs. Timothy Atkeson, Boyd Gibbons, III and Alvin Alm.

Now that John Whitaker has moved to the Executive Office Building, it is my understanding that most of your Council's business with White House Staff members (John Whitaker, Harry Flemming, etc.) will be conducted there rather than in the White House West Wing. That being the case, my favorable consideration of your request would be counter to sound and long-established policy. As a matter of fact, we are currently in the midst of a campaign to drastically reduce the number of outstanding, infrequently used White House passes. Their total, a staggering figure, gives endless problems to our security officials.

I'm sure you can appreciate the position I must take in this matter. If it proves to be wrong, and the three Council members you mentioned are repeatedly put to noticeable inconvenience, I will certainly reconsider.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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May 20, 1970

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS TRUDY BROWN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: William K. Coors

Please inform Mr. Flemming that based on results of security investigations I approve the Presidential appointment to the National Industrial Pollution Control Council for William K. Coors.

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

Chen

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CHAPIN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: The President's Calendar

A/

Some 3 months ago you may have seen a memo from Bob to me concerning the President's desire to plant a tree on the White House grounds -- preferably of a type unique to California.

(As you may know, Presidential tree planting as a tradition dates back through American Presidents consecutively to Woodrow Wilson ... and as an event, all the way to 1826 when John Quincy Adams planted an American elm about 100 feet inside the Southeast gate.)

Be that as it may. The point of this memorandum is to tell you that I've got the tree if you've got the time ... on the President's calendar. I suggest that you discuss the matter with Bob during your next "calendar session." As for lead-time, I would like to have 7 days notice, but could live with as little as 3; as for the future good health of the tree (a 6-8 year old Sequoia gigantea standing 2-1/2 feet in height), the sooner its little rooties are under North or South Ground soil the more easily it will endure its first and most critical Washington winter.

Memorial Days are good days for tree-planting ceremonies, and this year that particular Day (May 30) is a Saturday. But the President is scheduled to be out of town. (What else can I do to help?)

Please keep in touch.

cc: Mr. Bull

Chron

May 20, 1970

Honorable J. Phil Campbell
Under Secretary
Department of Agriculture
Washington, D. C. 20250

Dear Phil:

Many thanks for the clippings from the Atlanta newspaper. I sent them on to Herb Klein with the suggestion that they receive wide distribution ...and put duplicate copies into the President's evening "info" reading folder.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Chen

May 20, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Honorable Emil Mosbacher, Jr.
Chief of Protocol
Department of State

Attention: Honorable Marlon Smoak
Deputy Chief of Protocol

Reference: Your Memorandum for the President
Concerning the Gift Exchange During
Indonesian President General Soeharto's
Forthcoming Visit to the United States

Your recommendation for gifts to be presented to the Indonesian
President General and Mrs. Soeharto during their forth-
coming visit to the United States has been approved by the
President.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

bcc: Miss Rose Woods

May 20, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. KEN COLE

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

The attached "personal card," 2-page study and magazine were left with me by Mr. Paul L. Bradley, President of the National Council of the People-to-People Program. You may know Paul. He's been to the White House on several occasions...doing business mostly with Chuck Colson.

I'm not sure to what extent the appointment of Dr. Heard, and the things which Dr. Heard will do in his new role, will fulfill the requirements emphasized in the short study -- but regardless, it seemed to me that you might want to pass the material on to Len Garment, Pat Moynihan, or Dr. Heard with the suggestion that one of them write Bradley a short note of acknowledgment. Alternatively (certainly the simpler and quicker course of action) Bradley could be called on the telephone and told that we are aware of the problems his group mentions, and giving them attention on a priority basis.

Attachments

May 20, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: B/GENERAL HUGHES
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
RE: SEQUOIA

Please proceed with your plan to use SEQUOIA on May 29th for
your briefing session with social aides.

Chron

May 20, 1970

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

In the event that we have not yet acknowledged in some way football player Bill Pierson's recent 3-1/2 hour confrontation with 150 demonstrating students who were trying to tear from its staff an American flag on the San Diego State campus ... we should.

Details appeared in an article on page A-23 of the May 15th Evening Star (Xeroxed copy attached).

Attachment

cc: Mr. Rob Odle



-- Associated Press

Football player Bill Pierson, honored by the American Legion at San Diego State last night, is interviewed at the spot where for 3½ hours he held off 150 demonstrating students who tried to yank down the flag.

Football Player Keeps Flag Flying on Campus

By United Press International

All Bill Pierson was doing was minding his own business.

He was going to class, he was at peace with the world, and he was thinking what a beautiful day it was.

Suddenly, just like that, the whole thing changed. On his way to class at San Diego State the other day, Pierson saw approximately 150 students demonstrating in protest over the deaths at Kent State.

Pierson could understand that all right, but what he couldn't understand was what was happening to the American flag.

One group of students was yanking it down and another group was trying to pull it back up again. The flag was beginning to look like something on a yo-yo string.

When Pierson, a 26-year-old Navy veteran saw what was happening to the flag last Monday he forgot about his class in business administration. Pierson made up his mind to one thing. Nobody was going to disrespect the flag. Not without chopping him down first.

So for 3½ hours he placed himself in front of the flag protecting it. Bill, who is 6-foot-3 and 255 pounds, played center for San Diego State and was drafted by the New York Jets.

Some of the students repeatedly taunted him. Not the usual type of taunts, either. They threatened to burn him, the school and the flag. They put their faces right up to Pierson's and shouted to hell with everything — God, the flag and the country.

"I was frightened," Pierson

admits. "Not physically, but by what they were saying. The one thing on their mind was the flag. They wanted it down. I told them it wasn't coming down while I was there."

Pierson's wife Barbara was told what her husband was doing at the time and she became frightened for him. When his vigil ended and it was all over she was crying, but she kissed him and told him how proud she was of him.

There have been hundreds of phone calls, letters and telegrams.

A telegram from a lady in northern California said:

"I've lost two sons in the Vietnam war. God bless you."

"People are responding as if I did something courageous or uncommon, but to me it was a relatively simple thing to do," said Pierson.

Chen

May 20, 1970

Mr. H. Ross Perot
President, Electronic Data Systems
200 Exchange Bank Building
Dallas, Texas 75235

Dear Ross:

I am attaching a resolution in support of American POWs drawn up recently by members and former members of the Air Force's 36th Tactical Fighter Wing at its 1970 reunion. I thought you might want to include it with similar pieces of correspondence being collected there at your Dallas headquarters and sent to Hanoi, or to the North Vietnam "peace talk" delegation in Paris. It is completely useless floating around here.

Many thanks, and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

P.S. And thanks, too, for your voluntary call after the President's nationwide announcement of his Cambodia decision. I passed your message on to the President without delay. The immediate voicing of unwavering support by you and others meant a great deal. (You will find also enclosed the latest statistical report on our troop successes in Cambodia.)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 20, 1970

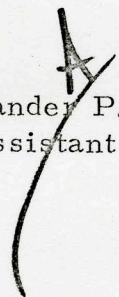
PERSONAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

SUBJECT: Cambodia Operation

Here is the latest statistical report on the Cambodia operation.


Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

PERSONAL

8:00 a.m., May 20, 1970

Total Operations

24-Hour Change

Individual Weapons	9,613	+119
Crew Served Weapons	1,608	+24
Bunkers/Structures Destroyed	5,853	+474
Machine Gun Rounds	7,812,464	Unchanged
Rifle Rounds	3,802,256	+31,260
Total Small Arms Ammunition (Rounds)	11,614,720	+31,260
Grenades	7,065	+140
Mines	1,884	+19
Satchel Charges	500	
Miscellaneous Explosives (lbs)	72,000	
Anti-Aircraft Rounds	159,047	Unchanged
Mortar Rounds	20,363	+1,904
Large Rocket Rounds	972	+1
Smaller Rocket Rounds	16,697	+766
Recoilless Rifle Rounds	13,627	+60
Rice (lbs)	7,234,000	+572,000
Man Months	159,148	+12,584
Vehicles	215	+9
Boats	40	Unchanged
Generators	36	Unchanged
Radios	169	+27
Enemy KIA	7,026	+44
POWs (Includes Detainees)	1,731	+117
US KIA	162	+7
ARVN KIA	380	+27

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May 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. STUART

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Connie:

The facts of the matter outlined in the attached memorandum are indeed vague ... but I pass the action on to you because it is strictly in your bailiwick. I do think that at least some contact should be made with Mr. Manni (or alternatively Mr. Gallin), for the offer may well be as genuine -- and generous -- as it appears on the surface.

Attachment

Chen

May 19, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: B/GENERAL HUGHES

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

It is my understanding that since Ron Jackson's retirement from the U. S. Navy some 7 months ago, he has not made contact with the Secret Service's Technical Security Division to obtain a White House Staff pass in place of his old (legally invalid) Military pass. Of course, he may not have been aware of his responsibility in this regard ... and assuming that that is the case, I would appreciate whatever assistance you and the aides can give to the security effort by way of keeping Mr. Al Wong (Technical Security Division) abreast of all "work location" and other changes which affect personnel under your jurisdiction.

Many thanks.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

A G E N D A

CABINET MEETING

Tuesday, May 19, 1970
9:30 A. M.

1. THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Honorable Paul W. McCracken, Chairman
Council of Economic Advisers

2. THE DOMESTIC COUNCIL AND DOMESTIC
COUNCIL STAFF: A PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION

Honorable John D. Ehrlichman, Assistant
to the President for Domestic Affairs

3. THE CAMBODIA OPERATION

Honorable William P. Rogers,
Secretary of State

Honorable Melvin R. Laird,
Secretary of Defense

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9:30 - 9:55

1. THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

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Council of Economic Advisers

a) Sub-topics

(15 min)

-- The current state of the economy

-- Implications of recent developments

(10 min)

b) Discussion

9:55-10:50

2. THE DOMESTIC COUNCIL AND DOMESTIC
COUNCIL STAFF: A PRELIMINARY
DISCUSSION

Honorable John D. Ehrlichman, Assistant
to the President for Domestic Affairs

(2-3 min)

Note: The President will make brief lead-in
remarks (See talking points attached) ...
then call on Mr. Ehrlichman.

a) Sub-topics (by Mr. Ehrlichman)

(12-13 min)

-- Organization, staff arrangement and
functional procedures which will best
serve the President

(40 min)

b) Discussion

10:50-11:00

(Approx.
10 min.)

3. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

The President will address the Cabinet and lead into the Cambodia briefing prior to departing the Cabinet Room.

---(The President departs the Cabinet Room) ---

11:00-11:40

4. THE CAMBODIAN OPERATION

Honorable William P. Rogers,
Secretary of State

Honorable Melvin R. Laird, Secretary
of Defense

a) Sub-topics

-- Gains to date (Sec Laird)

(20 min) -- End objectives (Sec Laird)

-- Military implications (Sec Laird)

(10 min) -- Diplomatic perspective (Sec Rogers)

(10 min) b) Discussion

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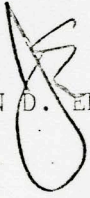
WASHINGTON

May 18, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Talking points re the Domestic Council
(Cabinet Meeting)

1. As you know, for some months we have anticipated the Domestic Council reorganization. Staff assignments have been made and procedures have been adopted to ensure that nothing we did would be inconsistent with the proposed reorganization.
2. OMB:
The proposed Office of Management and Budget reorganization is not on the agenda since it involves fundamental changes in staff and procedures which, today, are simply not ready for discussion.
3. The President has decided upon the basic staff appointments for the Domestic Council. The Cabinet, as a whole, should begin thinking about and discussing how the Domestic Council should work and how the Domestic Council staff should serve it and the President.
4. The Cabinet will now hear a preliminary discussion of the possible range of principles and procedures of the Domestic Council operation which serves as a basis for a discussion by Domestic Council members in the near future.
5. The effective date for establishing the Domestic Council and its staff is July 1.
6. Introduce John Ehrlichman and Ken Cole to make the presentation and lead the discussion.


JOHN D. EHRLICHMAN

Participants and Observers

- All Cabinet members ... with Kleindienst substituting for the Attorney General and Veneman sitting in for Bob Finch.
- The Vice President will not be able to arrive until 10:00 a.m.
- Staff and Others:

Mr. McCracken
Dr. DuBridge
Mr. Rogers Morton
Mr. Haldeman
Mr. Ehrlichman
(Dr. Kissinger)
(Mr. Timmons)
Mr. Flanigan
Mr. Butterfield
Mr. Ziegler
Mr. Ken Cole
Mr. Keogh
Mr. Klein
Mr. Stan Blair
Mr. Ollie Atkins

Chron

May 19, 1970

Mr. George Meany
President, AFL-CIO
815 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Meany:

Here's another status report on the
Cambodia operation.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Attachment

Chron

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 18, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Haldeman
Mr. Ehrlichman
Dr. Kissinger
Mr. Timmons
Mr. Flanigan
Mr. Keogh
Mr. Klein
Mr. Ziegler
Mr. Cole

FROM:

Alexander P. Butterfield *A*

RE:

Cabinet Meeting

I am attaching the revised agenda for the Cabinet Meeting scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 19th.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Chapin
Mr. Bull

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Revised

A G E N D A

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Secretary of Defense

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 18, 1970
8:30 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

I am attaching to this memorandum:

- the latest statistical report on our military operation in Cambodia.
- the revised agenda for the Cabinet meeting scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 19.

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

Issued 8:00 a.m., May 18, 1970

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Rifle Rounds	3,690,276	+1,683,272
Total Small Arms Ammunition (Rounds)	11,502,740	+2,152,872
Grenades	6,922	+1,672
Mines	1,865	+394
Anti-Aircraft Rounds	159,047	+24,268
Mortar Rounds	38,879	+23,961
Large Rocket Rounds	843	-33
Smaller Rocket Rounds	14,920	+774
Recoilless Rifle Rounds	14,296	+4,684
Rice (lbs)	6,610,000	+346,000
Man Months	145,420	+7,612
Vehicles	211	-4
Boats	40	Unchanged
Generators	36	
Radios	142	
Enemy KIA	6,495	+309
POWs (Includes Detainees)	1,576	+13
US KIA	150	+8
ARVN KIA	331	+10

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WASHINGTON

Revised

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CABINET MEETING

Tuesday, May 19, 1970
9:30 A. M.

9:30 - 9:45

1. THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Honorable Paul W. McCracken, Chairman
Council of Economic Advisers

a) Sub-topics

- The current state of the economy
- Implications of recent developments

(10 min)

(5 min)

b) Discussion

9:45-10:05

2. THE CAMPUS SITUATION

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

a) Sub-topics

- Assessment of the situation
- Students' political activities
- Administration's efforts to communicate
- Possible Administration initiatives

(15 min)

(5 min)

b) Discussion

10:05-10:50

3. THE DOMESTIC COUNCIL AND DOMESTIC
COUNCIL STAFF: A PRELIMINARY
DISCUSSION

Honorable John D. Ehrlichman, Assistant
to the President for Domestic Affairs

(2-3 min)

Note: The President will make brief lead-in
remarks then call on Mr. Ehrlichman.

a) Sub-topics (by Mr. Ehrlichman)

(12-13 min)

-- Organization, staff arrangement and
functional procedures which will best
serve the President

(30 min)

b) Discussion

10:50-11:00

4. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

(Approx.
10 min)

The President will address the Cabinet and
lead into the Cambodia briefing prior to departing
the Cabinet Room.

(The President departs the Cabinet Room)

11:00-11:40

5. THE CAMBODIAN OPERATION

Honorable William P. Rogers, Secretary
of State

Honorable Melvin R. Laird, Secretary
of Defense

a) Sub-topics

(20 min)

-- Gains to date (Sec Laird)

-- End objectives (Sec Laird)

-- Military implications (Sec Laird)

(10 min)

-- Diplomatic perspective (Sec Rogers)

(10 min)

b) Discussion

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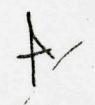
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11:30 A.M.

Memo for: Members of the Cabinet
Subject: Cabinet Meeting Agenda

Please disregard the Cabinet Meeting agenda sent to your offices yesterday. The Civil Service Commission Report has been deleted - and there may be one or two additional changes.

Revised agendas will be dispatched Monday morning.


ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

MEMORANDUM

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May 15, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Haldeman
Mr. Ehrlichman
Dr. Kissinger
Mr. Timmons
Mr. Flanigan
Mr. Klein
Mr. Keogh
Mr. Ziegler
Mr. Cole

FROM: Alexander P. Butterfield

RE: Cabinet Meeting

There will be a Cabinet Meeting at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 19th.

The agenda is attached.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Chapin
Mr. Bull

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Chairman, Council of Economic
Advisers

2. THE FAMILY ASSISTANCE PLAN

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

3. THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Honorable Robert E. Hampton
Chairman, United States Civil
Service Commission

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