

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 11, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CLARK MAC GREGOR
MR. WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Agenda for GOP Leadership
Meeting (April 12)

The President has approved the subject matter proposed for presentation and discussion at the Leadership Meeting tomorrow; however, he believes it best if Dr. Kissinger carry the ball on both subjects -- the military situation in Vietnam and the international impact of our recent initiatives there. Therefore, please do not invite any Federal Department heads to attend. The purpose of the session, as you know, is to arouse enthusiasm and support, and we will count on Henry to do that. My guess is that you will want to schedule him (HAK) for the full 25-minute period (8:05-8:30 a.m.).

You may proceed, too, with the extension of invitations to the "wild card" guests mentioned in your April 10th memorandum.

cc: Dr. Henry A. Kissinger
Mr. Tom C. Korologos
Mr. Richard Cook

Chen

April 11, 1972
3:45 p.m.

MR. PRESIDENT:

Billy Graham just called to pass on three pieces of information, two of which I will give you later. The other concerns John Connally and the superb job he did yesterday at Chicago speaking before the National Association of Broadcasters.

Billy said that he was one of the speakers also and was able to witness firsthand what he considered to be "the greatest single defense of the Nixon Administration" he had ever heard. He went on to say that Herb Klein was there too -- and that Herb did "very well indeed" -- but that Connally absolutely electrified the audience.

Alex

Chen
April 11, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: BRIG. GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
Military Assistant to the President

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: U. S. Army Aide Candidate

I have received your very thorough memorandum concerning Lt. Colonel William L. Golden, USA, your selection as the most suitable officer of those you interviewed to replace Colonel Vern Coffey. Whereas I have the utmost trust in your judgement (as does Bob Haldeman), you should not "accept" him either officially or unofficially until Mr. Haldeman and I have had an opportunity to talk to him and make our own judgements as to how well he might serve the President and work with our more senior members of the staff.

Therefore, I suggest that you make arrangements to have him return once again to the U.S. on a temporary duty status so that interviews at this end of the line can proceed. I realize that you want to have a replacement on board by May 1st. We will not delay the process.

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April 11, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CLARK MAC GREGOR
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Special Briefing by Dr. Kissinger

Now that we have scheduled a presentation on the military situation in Vietnam for our GOP Leaders, the President wants to be sure that we schedule very soon -- Wednesday, or Thursday at the latest -- a similar briefing by Henry to the top 6, 7 or 8 hawk-type Democrats in the Congress. He is thinking of such people as Stennis, Mahon, Hebert, etc.

The President would not be involved in this briefing session, but it should be held at the White House.

Please follow through on this plan in close coordination with Dr. Kissinger.

Thank you.

cc: Dr. Henry A. Kissinger

Chen

April 11, 1972

MR. PRESIDENT:

In addition to the comment about John Connally's superb performance in Chicago before the National Association of Broadcasters, Billy Graham wanted to pass on to you these two items:

- 1) He dropped by to see former President Johnson in Charlottesville and spent about an hour with him at the Medical Center. He said that LBJ gave him a very brief, but very personal, message to be relayed to you -- one which he will deliver the next time he sees you, or talks to you, on the telephone.
- 2) He will be going to the funeral service for Jimmy Byrnes in Columbia, South Carolina tomorrow. He is programmed to deliver two prayers. He was glad to know that Mrs. Nixon would be there too as the First Family representative and said that he would look forward to seeing her.

Alex

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April 11, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Dr. David's Request for a Special Air Mission Aircraft for His Late April - Early May Trip to the Far East

Bob:

I don't know if you had a chance to focus on my April 10th memorandum to Ed David telling him that a specially assigned (VIP) military aircraft will not be available to transport him and his party to the Far East ... but perhaps you should, at least, be aware of that decision. I have told him that "appropriate aircraft" will be assigned to him for the in-theatre flights scheduled on his itinerary, but that the flights to and from Japan must be made via commercial air carrier.

I mention all of this in a separate note to you only because Ed has told me so often that a SAM aircraft is very important to him on this particular journey. He may well appeal my decision to you and/or ask for an appointment to discuss the matter with the President.

(Incidentally, my decision was coordinated with HAK and Scowcroft. It was based on the fact that the air travel schedules of the Moscow advance and support groups, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Treasury have already committed the SAM Wing to maximum utilization of its large and long-range aircraft during the period mid-April through mid-June.)

APB:ts

April 11, 1972
3:45 p.m.

Mrs. Nixon:

Billy Graham just telephoned the President and I took the call. Among the things he wanted to pass on was the fact that he would be at the funeral service for Jimmy Byrnes in Columbia, South Carolina tomorrow ... and that he would be looking forward to seeing you there.

He asked, too, that I pass on his warmest personal regards.

Alex Butterfield

Chen

April 10, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DAVID N. PARKER

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Law School Reunion (May 9)

The 35th Reunion of the Duke Law School Class of '37 will not be a reception; instead, it will be a black tie dinner ... beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Rose and Lucy have copies of the final guest list and my guess is that invitations will be mailed before the end of the week.

cc: Mr. Dwight L. Chapin

April 10, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: HONORABLE EDWARD E. DAVID, JR.
Science Advisor to the President

SUBJECT: Air Transportation During
Your Far East Visit

Due to the particularly heavy scheduling of Special Air Mission aircraft from mid-April through mid-June (generated in the main by priority requirements of the President, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Treasury), a (VIP) military aircraft will not be available for transporting you and your official party to and from Japan. For these portions of the trip, commercial air carriers will have to be used.

Please know, however, that the Commander in Chief of the Pacific Air Forces will set aside appropriate aircraft for all in-theatre flights.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

cc: Dr. Henry A. Kissinger

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WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN
MISS ROSE MARY WOODS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Mr. Walter Haas, Sr.

I have checked again with Taft Schreiber concerning Mr. Walter Haas, Sr. and the elderly gentleman's "contributions in past years". It appears that both of you were right. Haas has never contributed more than \$1,000 - \$2,000 to Richard Nixon campaign coffers ... although he has been a solid and loyal Republican Party member for the past 50 years.

This year, however, Mr. Haas gave \$50,000 willingly. And more than that, he spoke to his three sons -- Walter, Jr., Peter and Goldman -- and elicited from them \$5,000 each. Taft tells me that he is not letting up on the 83-year old Haas -- that he is after him for another \$35,000 ... "Just to make it an even \$100,000".

As you know, Haas' son, Walter A. Haas, Jr., is Chairman of the Board of Levi Strauss -- and his first cousin is the owner of The Washington Post. These are other reasons why Taft hopes we will put Mr. and Mrs. Haas (Sr.) on the after-dinner guest list for the OAS event on April 15th. The couple will be in town from April 14-17 ... staying at the Madison Hotel.

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April 10, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. PENELOPE A. ADAMS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Evening at the White House Program

Penny:

Thanks very much for your suggestion concerning Peggy Fleming. I think everyone agrees that an evening of entertainment featuring Miss Fleming and other skaters has some great possibilities ... regardless of the time of year. However, the purpose of this note is to tell you that the proposal you, Connie and Lucy submitted earlier -- the one with the accent on youth -- is the most appealing at the moment.

Whereas we do not yet have a firm date for our next Evening at the White House, you should think and plan with a late June date in mind. Dave Parker will let us know as soon as it finds a permanent place on the President's schedule.

Thanks.

cc: Mr. Dwight L. Chapin
Mr. Richard A. Moore
Mr. Henry C. Cashen, II
Mrs. Constance Stuart
Mrs. Lucy A. Winchester
Mr. David N. Parker

April 10, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS ROSE MARY WOODS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Guest List for May 9th Reunion of
the President's 1937 Law School Class

Here are the names of the people the President wants to invite to the 35th Reunion of the Law School Class of 1937. The list was forwarded to me by Charlie Rhyme and approved just recently by the President. The only addition to it is Joseph T. Sneed, present Dean of the Duke University Law School.

I am not sure of the marital status of any of the persons named ... but am checking on that today. *Done*

Incidentally (small point), rather than a reception, the President wants now to make this event a 7:30 p.m., black tie dinner. The Marine Orchestra will play before dinner and the Army Chorus will entertain during the dessert course.

Attachment

cc: Mrs. Lucy A. Winchester

Chen
April 10, 1972
4:30 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Canadian Parliament Speech

Henry:

Here is the 6th draft of the Canadian Parliament Speech. The President doesn't want to see it until you have reviewed it thoroughly and made the modifications you and he discussed earlier. (I am attaching, too, the marked up 5th draft so that you can see more clearly what the President has in mind.)

My guess is that he will want it by about 8:00 p.m. this evening.

Thank you.

Attachments

Chen

April 10, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: BRIG. GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
Military Assistant to the President

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Presidential Jet Aircraft Schedule -- April 12

The President wants to send one of the large Presidential jet aircraft to Columbia, South Carolina on Wednesday, April 12th. On that day Mrs. Nixon will be representing the President at the funeral service of Honorable James F. Byrnes ... and some 45-50 persons will be accompanying her.

Mr. Harry Dent has been given the task of inviting members of the South Carolina delegation, very close friends of the widowed Mrs. Byrnes and others. You may want to get in touch with him right away so that he will know precisely how many seats will be available.

The plane will be returning to Andrews on the same day.

cc: Mr. J. D. Ehrlichman
Mr. R. L. Ziegler
Mr. C. W. Colson
Mr. H. S. Dent
Mr. Clark MacGregor

April 9, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT:

Stand-Up Meeting with Officers and
Directors of American Historic and
Cultural Society, Inc.
("Honor America Day Committee")
Monday, April 10, 1972 - 12:15 p.m.
The Oval Office (10 minutes)

- I. PURPOSE: To congratulate the Officers and Directors of the American Historic and Cultural Society, Inc. for their past efforts to promote Honor America Day on July 4th... (1970 and 1971).
- II. BACKGROUND: Group will be coming from a morning meeting of its own. The short session with you in the Oval Office was requested by Bill Marriott. After leaving the White House, Committee members will go to lunch.

In 1970 the HAD program featured Billy Graham before 25,000 and 3 nets at the Lincoln Memorial....and Bob Hope before 450,000 and 2 nets at the Washington Monument. In 1971, July 4 fell on a Sunday and the theme--"Go to the Church of your Choice"--was announced and publicized by Hope in Oklahoma City and Graham in Atlanta. This year's program emphasizes the importance of voter participation. The theme will be "Your Vote Counts". There are tentative plans, too, for Bob Hope to do another show from Oklahoma City.

(Note: You should know that some of the members wanted this year's program to feature a nationwide TV show from Kennedy Center of a 60-minute dramatic film entitled "Who Stole the Spirit of '76?" It was to be produced in Hollywood with major stars performing--and the story line was to be that the Spirit of '76 was not "stolen" at all, but is alive throughout America. The proposal was scrubbed because of lack of a sponsor. It would be best not to mention this rather ambitious plan at this late date.)

III. PARTICIPANTS: See Tab A.

IV. PRESS PLAN: Meeting to be announced to the Press, and Ollie will take 2-3 photos as the group meets in your office.

V. TALKING POINTS: See Tab B.

PARTICIPANTS

American Historic and Cultural Society, Inc. Board of Directors

Robert W. Barker (Attorney, Wilkinson, Cragun & Barker)
Arch N. Booth (Exec. Veep, U.S. Chamber of Commerce)
William N. Burch (Pres., Universal Commercial-Industrial Films)
George Champion (Pres., Economic Development Council of NYC)
Mrs. Mary Pillsbury Lord
James P. Low (Exec. Veep, Amer. Soc. of Assoc. Executives)
Leonard H. Marks, Vice Chairman
Herbert E. Marks, Secretary and General Counsel
J. Willard Marriott, Chairman
Mrs. J. Willard Marriott
William J. McManus
Charles S. O'Malley, Jr., Treasurer
Dr. S. Dillon Ripley
Mrs. Charles S. Robb
A. Pollard Simons (Simons Land Company)
Mrs. Dudley Swim (widow of the late Dudley Swim)
Hon. Walter E. Washington
C. Robert Yeager (Pres., Balfour Company)
John P. Cosgrove, Executive Director
John B. Kelly (Grace Kelly's brother and Chrm. of AAU)

White House Staff

Alexander P. Butterfield
Dr. David C. Hoopes

Directors Not Attending

Harlan Cleveland
A. L. Cole
Mrs. Dwight David Eisenhower, II
Frank Borman
Justin Dart
Mark Evans
Billy Graham
Bob Hope
Jack R. Howard
Hobart Lewis

George Meany
Frederick K. Weyerhaeuser
Roy Wilkins
Charles J. Zwick
Carl Albert
Gerald R. Ford
Michael J. Mansfield
Hugh Scott
Harry S. Truman
Lyndon B. Johnson

TALKING POINTS

(Prepared by Ron Walker; concurred in by Chuck Colson)

1. I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET
AND THANK YOU PERSONALLY.

-- This meeting is long overdue.

-- I have looked forward for sometime to opportunity
to thank all on a personal basis ... (scheduling
seems to be especially difficult these days -- PRC
trip and summit meetings which preceded it;
preparations now for Moscow, etc.).

2. THINKING BACK OVER PAST TWO PROGRAMS

-- 1970 program was unforgettable.

-- Throngs poured into Washington from everywhere .

-- Bill Marriott was National Chairman and much
involved.

-- Billy Graham and others in the morning at
the Lincoln Memorial; Bob Hope and others
in the afternoon at the Washington Monument.

-- 1971 theme: "Go to the Church of Your Choice"

3. I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU

-- For the success of your past efforts .

-- For encouraging voter participation this year .

4. PROGRAMS ARE GREAT FOR THE COUNTRY

-- All Americans, regardless of political party
affiliation, have an opportunity to stand proud
and remember the greatness with which they are
blessed as citizens of this Nation.

Chen

April 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR:

HON. EMIL MOSBACHER, JR.
Chief of Protocol
Department of State

SUBJECT:

Presidential Gifts for Presentation
While in Canada

The President has read your April 6th memorandum to him and approved the gifts you suggested for presentation while in Canada.

The family photographs were approved also, but we will be changing the inscription on the one to the Micheners to read as follows:

"To His Excellency The Governor General and Mrs. Michener,

With appreciation for your gracious and attentive
hospitality during our visit to Canada,

Richard Nixon

Patricia Nixon

April 1972"

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 7, 1972

9:15 a.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: LBJ

At 7:45 this morning I was called at home on the Signal line by Brigadier General Bob Schulz, who reported that former President Johnson had suffered a mild heart attack this morning in Charlottesville. He said the attack had come at about 5:00 a.m. and that the former President was at the moment resting quietly in the University of Virginia Medical Center. He told me also that "everyone" had been notified. I then asked if "everyone" meant the Presidential party at Key Biscayne ... and if so, who, specifically, had passed the word. He replied that "Key Biscayne" did know about it, and that the word had been passed by the Secret Service. I thanked him, called Larry Higby at KB and relayed what Schulz had said (Messrs. Higby and Haldeman had not been informed.) , then drove to the office.

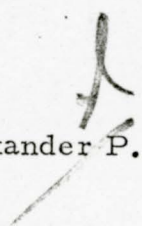
At 8:20 a.m. I called Clint Hill at Secret Service headquarters and asked for all of the information he had at hand. He gave me the following facts:

- The heart attack had occurred at about 4:00 a.m.
- It was being termed "mild".
- The former President and Mrs. Johnson had been spending the night at the Robbs' home in Charlottesville, Virginia.

NOTE: We had known for sometime here in this office that the former President and Mrs. Johnson were going to be in Charlottesville on April 7th for a wedding -- that they were going to proceed from Charlottesville to Washington during the late afternoon of the 7th and check into Blair House for the weekend -- then return to Texas sometime on April 9th. All arrangements had been made at this end of the line and the President had been advised.

- The Secret Service detail at Charlottesville had passed the news to SS headquarters here in Washington at about 4:30 a.m. ... and the President's SS detail at KB, as well as Drs. Tkach and Lukash (at KB) had been notified in the vicinity of 5:00 a.m.
- The former President was in the intensive care unit of the cardiology section of the University of Virginia Medical Center ... and Lady Bird was with him.
- Although he was having some slight reoccurrence of the "chest pains", the doctors were reporting his condition and blood pressure as "stable".
- The estimate by the doctors of his required stay in "that particular hospital" was "two weeks".
- An Air Force jet aircraft was en route from Bergstrom AFB in Texas to Atlanta, Georgia to pick up Dr. Hurst, the physician who attended LBJ at the time of his previous cardiovascular illness.

At 8:25 a.m. I called Larry Higby once more and repeated the more complete and factual information reported by Clint Hill. By 8:30 I had notified also Noble Melencamp, Ray Price and Bill Gulley in the Military Assistant's office.


Alexander P. Butterfield

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Secret Service Protection for Senator Kennedy

On Monday -- after reading of Mansfield's request that Connally reverse his position and grant EMK the Secret Service protection "he is said to desire" -- you asked if Kennedy is authorized protection under the present laws.

The straight and simple answer is "no". He is not authorized protection under the statute which governs Secret Service protection normally ... nor is he authorized protection under the separate legislation which concerns protection for major Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates.

There is some interesting chronology here if you want to read on.

- P.L. 3056 states clearly who will be protected by the Secret Service under normal circumstances -- the President and members of his immediate family, the Vice President, the President-elect, the Vice President-elect, former Presidents and their wives and widows, etc.
- P.L. 90-331 (H.J. Res.) authorizes Secret Service protection for major Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates. It establishes a Candidate Protection Advisory Committee which advises the Secretary of the Treasury and recommends to him criteria to be applied to the selection of "major candidates" who are to be provided personal security by the Secret Service. Current members of the Committee are: Speaker Albert, Senator Mansfield, Senator Scott, Representative Ford and former Senator Kuchel.
- On January 27th of this year, the Committee recommended to Secretary Connally that "protection be provided to announced candidates receiving a popularity rating of at least 5% in either the Harris or Gallup polls, and to persons who are

unannounced candidates with a rating in the same polls of at least 20% ... subject to the legal determination of the Secretary of the Treasury as to eligibility under the law ..." (Emphasis supplied) The Committee recommended also that candidate protection begin on March 20th. All of this was agreed to by the Treasury Secretary.

- But on the specific subject of such protection for EMK, to date withheld on the grounds of ineligibility, Mansfield has written a letter to Connally urging reversal of the "withhold" decision. The essence of his correspondence is that notwithstanding Kennedy's rejection of the status of Presidential candidacy, he is considered to be a candidate for the Presidency by a very large segment of the public ... "as indicated consistently in the public opinion polls". It is Mansfield's judgement that that consideration exposes Kennedy to a degree of personal danger which is as great as, or greater than, the danger to which leading announced candidates are exposed.
- Connally's response is in full accord with the opinions of his legal advisors -- that EMK is ineligible at the present time because he has not declared himself a candidate. He has told Mansfield that he based his decision on that very simple, yet highly significant, fact. He goes on to say that more than an undeclared candidate, Kennedy is a declared non-candidate, in consideration of his numerous public denials of candidacy and his affidavits (filed in both Florida and Wisconsin) disavowing candidacy. The Wisconsin affidavit, dated February 18th, stated in part that "I ... hereby declare that I am not a candidate for the Office of the President of the United States of America, and do not intend to become a candidate for said Office in the 1972 Presidential Election".
- It goes without saying that when Kennedy stops declaring himself a non-candidate and publicly announces that he is in the running (assuming his popularity ratings are still above 5%), he will be given the protection which Senator Mansfield feels so strongly is required.

cc: Mr. H. R. Haldeman
Mr. John D. Ehrlichman
Mr. John W. Dean, III

cc per Buchanan 4-14
Chuck Calum 4-19

April 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROLAND L. ELLIOTT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Preparation of Presidential Letter

Please prepare a Presidential birthday note to Joseph F. Cullman, III and coordinate the text with Mr. Colson.

(Note the information on the attached sheet. The phone call will not be made.)

Attachment

cc: Mr. Charles W. Colson

Chen
April 5, 1972

Dear Dave:

Thanks very much for the carbon copy of your March 30th note to Chuck Colson -- with the enclosure concerning Dean Burch's urging an end to violence in children's television shows.

It would, indeed, appear that you are doing your share in that important area. And your "New Zoo Revue" gang did its share toward making the 1972 White House Easter Egg Roll a big success. The animals were very popular, as I'm sure you've heard ... and our thanks again for the idea.

All the best.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

David E. Bradshaw, Esq.
Bradshaw, Speranza, Veverka & Brumlik
230 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60601

bcc: Mr. William Carruthers
Mr. Michael J. Farrell

Chen

April 5, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROLAND L. ELLIOTT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Preparation of Presidential Letter

In coordination with Messrs. Colson and Dent, please prepare a short Presidential note to Mayor Richard Lugar of Indianapolis ... that is, if such correspondence has not gone out already.

The attached paper pertains.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Charles W. Colson
Mr. Harry S. Dent

Chen

April 4, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Panda Pickup

You asked me to keep you advised of the Musk Oxen delivery and Panda pickup schedules. The itinerary for the C-141 milk run has just been finalized ... and appears below.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ARRIVE</u>	<u>DEPART</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Andrews AFB		8:00 a.m., Apr 6	
Travis AFB	10:30 a.m., Apr 6	1:30 p.m., Apr 6	Oxen pickup
Hickam AFB	5:00 p.m., Apr 6	8:00 a.m., Apr 7	
Andersen AFB	12:05 p.m., Apr 8	7:15 a.m., Apr 9	
Shanghai	10:00 a.m., Apr 9	12:00 Noon, Apr 9	
Peking	2:00 p.m., Apr 9	Approx. Apr 13	Oxen delivery/ bear pickup

Thus, the Pandas should be back here on the U.S. east coast on or about April 15.

As I am sure you know, Dr. Reed, Director of the National Zoo, and John Thomas of the Department of State (along with a host of others) will be aboard the delivery aircraft keeping the animals company.

Chen

April 4, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DAVID N. PARKER

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Scheduled Presidential Meeting with
the Honor America Day Committee

Dave:

Both Dwight and Bob Haldeman have told me recently that the Honor America Day Committee (and Bill Marriott, Sr.) should not count on any Presidential participation in Honor America Day activities. That word, of course, has been relayed to Marriott and others ... who have said all along that without Presidential participation, or at least a strong hint that such participation on July 4th would be scheduled eventually, they may as well fold their tents and silently steal away, and give the spotlight on that particular evening to the show Bob Hope will do from Oklahoma. (As I think you know already, their reason for telling us this is that without our promise, or near-promise, of Presidential participation they cannot obtain a sponsor for the proposed Honor America Day film.)

In consideration of the foregoing, I am left with a question: Why are we scheduling the April 10th Presidential meeting with the Honor America Day Committee? It was my understanding sometime ago that the purpose of the get-together was to fire up the Committee members and convince them of the fact that the President wholeheartedly supported their efforts to develop an Honor America Day program. But under the circumstances they have outlined to us, that isn't quite the case.

cc: Mr. Dwight L. Chapin

Chen
April 4, 1972
4:45 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN D. EHRLICHMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Attached Speech Draft

The President has reviewed the attached speech draft and, as you will note, written a number of instructions and comments. He now wants you to review the material and in coordination with John Andrews (who in turn will coordinate with Messrs. Buchanan, Colson and Price) proceed with the text's development.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Mr. John K. Andrews, Jr.

April 4, 1972

PERSONAL/CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. GORDON C. STRACHAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Gordon:

Why did you confront Bob Haldeman with the request that the President take the time to have a farewell handshake with LynRae McClintock when you knew very well that ...

-- the entire justification for my having her and her husband put on the Erim Dinner (entertainment) guest list only 24 hours before the event was that her relatively short tenure on the staff, and her relatively low position vis-a-vis other secretaries here, would not allow her the opportunity to see the President in the Oval Office?

-- such (immediate) requests should come first to me?

The impropriety of the action is highlighted by the fact that the President said only last week that he did not want to do any more "quick farewell handshakes" -- that until further notice he would not see anyone's family or friends on the spur of the moment -- that he no longer wanted his day interrupted for little 2-minute unscheduled events.

I'm LynRae's friend, too -- but more than her "happy send off", I'm concerned about principle and precedent.

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April 3, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN H. HOLDRIDGE
National Security Council

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Letter Concerning Steve W. Fitzsimmons

John:

Here is the letter I told you about -- the one my friend, Frank Street, sent concerning Steve W. Fitzsimmons of St. Charles, Illinois -- an alleged experienced POW/MIA negotiator with the North Vietnamese.

My thanks for taking an interest in this matter.

Attachment

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April 3, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: BRIG. GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
Military Assistant to the President

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Military Aircraft Travel
by Director George Shultz

Please honor Director George Shultz's two recent requests for military air transportation to the West Coast this month ... and if at all possible, schedule the plane, in each case, to remain on the West Coast for the duration of the official business.

Thank you.

April 3, 1972

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS GERTRUDE T. BROWN
Security Assistant

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Issuance of White House Pass

Trudy:

Please issue a White House pass to Mr. Paul L. Perito, recently appointed Deputy Director for the Special Action Office for Drug Abuse Prevention.

(This action is in keeping with our policy to issue White House passes to Directors and Deputy Directors of organizational elements within the Executive Office of the President.)

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

Edison

April 3, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS ELISKA A. HASEK
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Preparation of Presidential
Letter of Condolence

Please prepare a Presidential letter of condolence to Mr. and Mrs. Don Bacon whose 7-year old daughter, Jenney, died this past Friday evening.

In the preparation of the text of the correspondence, you should refer to the attached material and coordinate closely with Mr. Ziegler.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Ronald L. Ziegler
Mr. Raymond K. Price, Jr.
Miss Rose Mary Woods

April 3, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROLAND L. ELLIOTT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Preparation of Presidential Letter

The telephone call to Roy Campanella will not be made ... but a Presidential letter should be sent out right away.

Please refer to the attachment and coordinate the text with Mr. Cashen.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Henry C. Cashen, II

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April 3, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Visit to Washington by
Former President Johnson

As you may know already, former President Johnson and Mrs. Johnson will be coming to Washington, D.C. on April 7th, attending a wedding (I don't know whose) on April 8th, and returning to Texas on the 9th. The former President has asked Bob Schulz to arrange a meeting for him with Mr. George Hartzog, Director of the National Park Service. According to Schulz, the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the "possible transfer of the LBJ homestead to the Government".

A final note of interest: LBJ's Secret Service agents have since queried Bob as to the status of "the facility" -- meaning, I am told, the living quarters at the Jackson Place address. I believe Schulz told them there was still no furniture on the 4th floor, to which they replied, "Then, I suppose he will have to stay at the Madison".

My guess is that we want to leave well enough alone -- i.e. not offer the Johnsons the use of Blair House. Schulz, of course, must get back to the former President's staff with some word as to the location of the overnight accommodations on the 7th and 8th.

Do you want to talk to the President about this visit, or should I?

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April 3, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. CASPAR WEINBERGER
Deputy Director
Office of Management and Budget

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Mr. A. R. Richstein

Cap:

Here is the resume I told you some 7-10 days ago that I would be sending your way -- the one on A. R. Richstein. I am sending a copy also to Dan Kingsley, who can and should make a quick political check.

Thanks for your interest.

Attachment

cc: Mr. Daniel T. Kingsley

April 3, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DARRELL M. TRENT
Deputy Director
Office of Emergency Preparedness

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Mr. A. R. Richstein

Darrell:

Here is a resume on Mr. A. R. (Rick) Richstein, a friend of mine and a former associate at the National War College. Whereas I do not know whether or not you are in the market for a good legal man, I thought I would send the material your way so that you could look it over and perhaps put it on file. It seems to me that with the particular kind of experience Richstein got while in the military, he would be especially well suited for employment with OEP.

Attachment

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 3, 1972

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD.
SUBJECT: White House Office Certificates

It is my understanding that earlier you approved the issuance of White House certificates to those serving the President on the Staff Assistant level -- but that at the time the question of who specifically would receive them was not addressed. The purpose of this paper, therefore, is to bring to your attention some interesting facts relative to this Administration's White House Staff Assistants, and to offer several action options and one recommendation.

FACTS

- There are 74 persons currently serving the President who were at one time, or are now, Staff Assistants (Tab A).
- Of the 74 listed, three (Bell, Farrell and Rose) have been elevated to commissioned billets (Tab A).
- Thus, 71 Staff Assistants are now on board (Tab A).
- Of the 71 people, four (Fielding, Huebner, Kehrli and Melencamp) have officially held two titles (Tab A).

- There are 48 persons who once served the President as Staff Assistants, but have since departed (Tab B).
- Of the 48 listed, one (Hofgren) was elevated to a commissioned billet before he left; and one (Whitehead) was elevated to a commissioned status after he left (Tab B).
- Thus, 46 people served here in the past three years without receiving certificates (Tab B).

- Of the 46 Staff Assistants, one (John Brown) officially held two titles (Tab B).

OPTIONS

_____ *Give certificates to Tab A people ...

_____ including Bell, Farrell and Rose.

_____ and two each to Fielding, Huebner, Kehrli and Melencamp.

_____ *excluding Bell, Farrell and Rose.

_____ *and only one certificate (denoting current title) each to Fielding, Huebner, Kehrli and Melencamp.

_____ *Give certificates to Tab B people ...

_____ including Hofgren and Whitehead.

_____ and two to John Brown.

_____ *excluding Hofgren and Whitehead.

_____ *and only one (denoting last title held) to John Brown.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve options preceded by an asterisk.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR THE WHITE HOUSE STAFF

FROM:

BRUCE KEHRLI BAK

SUBJECT:

VIP Waiting Room

The area between the Oval Office and the Cabinet Room was converted recently to a VIP waiting room for use by Cabinet-level officials, state governors, and other special guests scheduled to meet with the President.

Normally, the door leading from the hallway to the waiting area is closed. But next to the upper right-hand side of the door molding there are two small lights -- one red, one green. Illumination of the red light serves as a signal that the waiting room is in use and that to the extent possible, privacy should be maintained. Of course, if it is absolutely necessary to pass a message immediately to the President, or to Mr. Bull, the door to the right of the main door may be used. It leads directly into Mr. Bull's office and in all probability he or his secretary will be able to assist.

It goes without saying that if neither bulb is illuminated, or if the green light is on, you are free to enter the area via the main door.

Your attention to this light signal system, and your cooperation in helping to eliminate the flow of traffic into the waiting room when it is occupied by a visitor, will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

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