

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 16, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Notification of Wallace Shooting

You asked for particulars concerning my delay in getting word to you about the attempt on Governor Wallace's life yesterday afternoon. The answer, in a word, is that I had nothing but unconfirmed bits and pieces of information until 2-3 minutes before you called me on the telephone (4:19 or 4:20). Toni was at that moment typing a very short paragraph of alleged facts which you were to receive ... before anyone else (so help me!).

The sequence of events was almost precisely as indicated below:

- 4:00 p.m. -- Taylor was in my office meeting with me on matters unrelated to Governor Wallace.
- 4:06 p.m. -- Ron Pontius stuck his head in my office doorway to tell Bob (and me) that the Secret Service radio net had just been informed by the Maryland State Police that "there had been a shooting in the Wallace detail, and that they thought the principal was involved". Steve had just come to my office on other business and heard the report.
- 4:07 p.m. -- Taylor went to my phone and called the Secret Service command post to direct that all further news be relayed to him in my office ... "as it was received". I told Steve to go back to his office and to keep quiet until something was known about Wallace's involvement -- and physical condition, if involved.
- 4:11 p.m. -- Steve called me on the IO to suggest his alerting Ray Price to the news and the possibility of the need rather quickly of a Presidential statement. I agreed, and Steve called Ray.

First mistake

- 4:12 p.m. - Taylor received his second report (Pontius' statement being the first). It came from the Secret Service command post and confirmed that there was a shooting and that Wallace was hit and then en route to Leland Memorial Hospital in Riverdale, Maryland. We learned nothing at that time about the seriousness of the Governor's condition.
- 4:15 p.m. - Taylor's third report came in: "Wallace has just arrived at the Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring. Three others were hit during the shooting. The assailant has been apprehended and is being held at the Hyattsville police station."
- 4:16 p.m. - I dictated to Toni what was fairly certain knowledge up to that point. Exactly 10 minutes had transpired since Pontius' interruption of our meeting.
- 4:19 p.m. (approx.) - You called me and I told you all that I knew, including the fact that Price had been alerted. I mentioned, too, that I was purposely withholding distribution of news items being given to me pending their confirmation -- and that I had no intention of notifying the President, at least until his meeting with Kendall and Flanigan concluded. You sounded as though you approved.

Right

Again, your call preceded by only a few minutes -- as long as it was going to take Toni to type an 8-line paragraph -- my hand carrying a note to your office. Every action that I took was pre-meditated.

cc: Mr. Stephen B. Bull

*Would appreciate immediate notification
in the future - even if unconfirmed.
— and no notice to others until
we decide on a procedure.*

WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY

TOMB OF UNKNOWN SOLDIER

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1972

9:40 a.m.

You depart Kremlin Guest House
in your car for Aleksandrov Gardens,
Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

NOTE:

Mrs. Nixon will not accompany you.

9:45 a.m.

Arrive Aleksandrov Gardens
where you will be met by:

Soviet leader
Chief of Protocol Kolokolov

Accompanied by the Soviet officials,
you proceed directly down the staircase
to the crosswalk where your two
Military Aides will be waiting with
the wreath.

As the music begins, you follow your
two Military Aides who are bearing the
wreath up two sets of steps to the top
of the Monument where the wreath will
be placed.

BOLSHOI THEATER

The Bolshoi (Great) Theater of Opera and Ballet is located on Moscow's Sverdlov Square, a short distance from the Kremlin. The five-tiered hall, decorated in red velvet and gold, was opened in 1825 and seats 2,150. The Bolshoi company consists of some 250 dancers and an equal number of singers.

The historical beginnings of the theater go back to 1776, when an opera-ballet troupe was founded in Moscow and began a few years later to perform at the Petrovskiy Theater on the present site of the Bolshoi.

The most renowned ballet of the Bolshoi is Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake," first performed in 1877. Tchaikovsky's ballet music became a major force in the development of ballet choreography: "Swan Lake" was the first ballet to require unified and continuous dramatic action. The Bolshoi's present version of "Swan Lake" is notable for its happy ending -- the swan does not die.

The Bolshoi Theater is directed by Mikhail Chulake, a musician, composer and professor at the Moscow Conservatory. The theater includes a museum and a school of dance, directed by Sofiya Golovkina, a former soloist. Famous names in the Bolshoi's past have included dancers Anna Pavlova (1881-1931), Galina Ulanova (1910-) and Maya Plisetskaya (1925-). Plisetskaya, recently retired, is particularly remembered for her technique and flowing movement in the Odette-Odile role of "Swan Lake." The leading soloists of the Bolshoi at present are Nataliya Bessmertnova, Yekaterina Maksimova, Vladimir Vasil'yev, and Marie Liepa.

Department of State
May 1972

(Andrews) RP

May 18, 1972
Word Count: 205

TOAST FOR U. S. DINNER, MOSCOW

It is a pleasure and an honor for us tonight to be host to our hosts on this little island of American soil in the heart of Russia.

Our two governments scheduled this visit last fall, convinced that our mutual interest called for talks at the summit. Both sides persevered through a tense time brought about by circumstances elsewhere in the world. We went forward in the spirit of your eloquent proverb: "In the kingdom of hope there is no winter."

And now, what began in the kingdom of hope is progressing into the realm of reality. The time ahead may still bring storms -- but the winter of our relationship has given way to spring.

We have reached agreements of great benefit to our two countries and to all mankind -- agreements which will greatly increase the prospects of world peace and will quicken constructive exchange between the two greatest economic powers on earth.

As the leader of one of those powers, the one in the West, I would then propose a toast to the leaders of the other, the great giant of the East: to the General Secretary, the Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, and the Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Soviet Union; and also to the new relationship which we together have worked to begin this week.

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Chron

June 1, 1972
7:00 p.m.

TO: American Embassy, Saigon, South Vietnam

FROM: White House

Priority: IMMEDIATE

Info: Sec Defense
Sec State

Ref: Saigon 7924

Dr. John Mc Laughlin, Deputy Special Assistant to the President, holds security clearances up through Secret. * This information transmitted to Mac V through DOD twice previously.

* Last sentence optional. Mr. Butterfield says it can be omitted if General Haig thinks not appropriate.

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May 31, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MR. JOHN DEAN
MR. MICHAEL FARRELL
MR. CLINT HILL (USSS)

FROM:

ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

The attached information came to me yesterday afternoon from the Committee for the Re-election of the President. I doubt that it is of much interest to you now that the President's "arrival plans" have changed -- but you may want to be aware of what was, and possibly still is in the mill.

APB:kmt

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May 31, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. RAYMOND PRICE
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Presidential Letters Requested by
Secretary Butz

As you will note by reading the attached material, Secretary Butz strongly recommends that Presidential letters be prepared for Messrs. Norman Michaelson, M.M. Goodnight and Anthony T. Rossi. He has enclosed drafts prepared by his staff, but I thought that you should give them a final check -- and release them only after receiving an "O.K." from Chuck Colson and Rose Mary Woods.

I would appreciate being informed of action taken so that I can get back to the Agriculture Secretary.

Many thanks.

cc: Charles Colson
Rose Mary Woods

APB:kmt

May 30, 1972

Dear Bill:

The enclosed color photograph was taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of May 9th -- at the dinner honoring the Duke University Law School Class of 1937. The President thought you would like to have a copy.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable William H. Brown, III
Chairman
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Apartment 1635
4701 Willard Avenue
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20015

Enclosure

APB:kmt

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May 30, 1972

Dear Dean and Mrs. Sneed:

The enclosed color photograph was taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of May 9th -- at the dinner honoring the Duke University Law School Class of 1937. The President thought you would like to have a copy.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Dean and Mrs. Joseph T. Sneed
2815 Chelsea Circle
Durham, North Carolina 27707

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Dear Dr. and Mrs. Fuller:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Dr. and Mrs. Lon L. Fuller
16 Traill Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

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Dear Professor and Mrs. Cavers:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Professor and Mrs. David F. Cavers
21 Buckingham Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

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May 30, 1972

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bryson:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Bryson
Apartment A-6
1829 Front Street
Durham, North Carolina 27706

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Dear Professor and Mrs. Bolich:

The enclosed color photograph was taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of May 9th -- at the dinner honoring the Duke University Law School Class of 1937. The President thought you would like to have a copy.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Professor and Mrs. Bryan Bolich
1811 Brightwater Boulevard, NE.
St. Petersburg, Florida 33704

Enclosure

APB:kmt

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May 30, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAJOR GENERAL HAIG
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Arrangements for Memorial and Funeral
Services for the Duke of Windsor

John Howe was helpful yesterday in getting word to me on the status, to date, of arrangements concerning memorial and funeral services for the recently deceased Duke of Windsor. The status report was relayed on to Bob Haldeman in Kiev.

I would appreciate your alerting the British Embassy to the fact that we want to be kept abreast of developments -- and meanwhile, you may want to recommend (to me) the kind of Presidential representation you, your staff and State think will be most appropriate. (More than one Cabinet Member has given notice already of his availability in the event that a First Family member does not attend.)

Many thanks.

APB:kmt

Chron

May 30, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: BRIGADIER GENERAL SCOWCROFT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Construction of Additional Family Houses
at Camp David

Thank you for forwarding the maps, floor plans, etc. pertinent to the additional housing units contemplated for construction at Camp David. Unless you are awaiting other instructions from Mr. Haldeman, you may tell DOD to proceed with the family unit additions.

Attachments

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable William J. Casey
Chairman
Securities and Exchange Commission
500 North Capitol Street
Washington, D. C. 20549

Enclosure

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Dear John:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable John N. Mitchell
Campaign Director
Citizens Committee for the
Re-election of the President
Suite 400
1701 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Elliot:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Elliot L. Richardson
The Secretary of Health, Education
and Welfare
Department of HEW
Washington, D. C. 20201

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Dear Bob:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Robert H. Finch
Counsellor to the President
The White House

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Dear Ken:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Kenneth Rush
Deputy Secretary of Defense
Room 3E921
Department of Defense
Washington, D. C. 20301

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Dear Cap:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger
Deputy Director
Office of Management and Budget
The White House

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Dear Dick:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Richard A. Moore
Special Counsel to the President
The White House

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Dear Harry:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Harry S. Dent
Special Counsel to the President
The White House

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Dear Chuck:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Charles W. Colson
Special Counsel to the President
The White House

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Dear Pat:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Louis Patrick Gray, III
Assistant Attorney General and
Acting Director of the FBI
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

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Dear Clark:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Clark MacGregor
Counsel to the President
for Congressional Relations
The White House

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Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable John D. Ehrlichman
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Affairs
The White House

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Dear Justice Powell:

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Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr.
Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D. C. 20543

Enclosure

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May 26, 1972

Dear Miss Foote:

This is just a quick note of thanks to you and Miss Steiert for typing the 25 letters to the President's law school classmates on such short notice. They looked "perfect" ... and went out this afternoon on schedule.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Miss Barbara Foote
Correspondence Section
The White House

cc: Miss Caroline Steiert

May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Fay:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. J. Richard Fay
Post Office Box 907
Belden Station
Norwalk, Connecticut 06852

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APB:cjs

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Dear Mr. Gregory:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Claiborne B. Gregory
636 Lamont Street
San Antonio, Texas 78209

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Dear Mr. Henderson:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. David H. Henderson
1122 Berkeley Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina 28203

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Dear Mr. Hilton:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Homer Hilton, Jr.
510 East Michigan Street
Marquette, Michigan 49355

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Dear Mrs. Crumpacker:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mrs. William J. Crumpacker

Manteo, North Carolina 27954

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Dear Mrs. Foley:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mrs. Howard S. Foley
14 Sutton Place South
New York, New York 10022

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Dear Mr. Haley:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Haley his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. James M. Haley
103 West Brow Oval
Lookout Mountain, Tennessee 37350

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Dear Mr. Holland:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. John Mack Holland, Jr.
208 West 11th Avenue
Gastonia, North Carolina 28032

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Dear Mr. Whitener:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Whitener his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Basil L. Whitener
Box 1
Gastonia, North Carolina 28053

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May 26, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARRY S. DENT
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Update of State Profiles

Harry:

We would very much appreciate it if someone on your staff would bring up-to-date the State Profiles in the attached booklet, and return it to me, prior to June 1st. The President has seen this material and knows that I am keeping it in my office for reference purposes.

Thank you.

Attachment

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Dear Captain Albrink:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Captain Frederick S. Albrink
1469 Harmott Avenue
Norfolk, Virginia 23509

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Dear Mr. Baird:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Baird his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. William J. Baird
Box 351
Pikeville, Kentucky 41501

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Dear Mr. Brooks:

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Arthur A. Brooks, Jr.
Apartment 54
217 North Sunset Avenue
West Covina, California 91790

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Dear Mr. Brownfield:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Brownfield his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

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Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Lyman H. Brownfield
185 South Drexel Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43209

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Dear Mr. Kiefer:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Kiefer his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Richard W. Kiefer
120 South Rolling Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21223

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Leathers:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Leathers his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Harland F. Leathers
3010 North Pollard Street
Arlington, Virginia 22207

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Lybrook:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Lybrook his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. William R. Lybrook
Post Office Box 2650
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27102

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. McConnell:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. McConnell his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. John D. McConnell
Box 1276
Southern Pines, North Carolina 28387

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May 26, 1972

Dear Judge and Mrs. McCown:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable and Mrs. Hale McCown
Apartment 1004
1301 J Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Nissen:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Nissen his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Carl H. Nissen
126 Dryden Drive
Meriden, Connecticut 06450

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Perdue:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Perdue his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. William R. Perdue, Jr.
Middle Neck Road
Sands Point
Port Washington, New York 11050

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Stoel:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Stoel
01411 Southwest Radcliffe Road
Portland, Oregon 97219

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Troxler:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Troxler his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Therman J. Troxler
2836 Carmel Road
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Washburn:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Washburn his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. William E. Washburn
784 Brookhollow Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37205

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May 26, 1972

Dear Mr. Williams:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you and Mrs. Williams his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. G. Davis Williams
National Bank Building
Munfordville, Kentucky 42765

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APB:bef

May 26, 1972

Dear Charles:

The President wanted you to have these photographs taken in the State Dining Room of the White House on the evening of your recent Duke Law School Class Reunion. He asked me to enclose a copy of the official guest list, which I have done -- and to pass on to you his sincere thanks for helping to make the Reunion the successful and enjoyable occasion that it was.

With every good wish, I am

Yours truly,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Charles S. Rhyne
400 Hill Building
839 17th Street, NW.
Washington, D.C. 20006

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May 25, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. NOBLE M. MELENCAMP
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Letter Writing Project

Noble:

Please put some of your letter writers to the task of typing out notes, as indicated by the attached sample, to each member of the Duke Law School Class of 1937 who attended the dinner at the White House on May 9th. A guest list is also attached.

Whoever is in charge of the project should pay close attention to the information in parentheses on the guest list. In two cases, both husband and wife are class members. Faculty members are not to be included.

When all letters have been prepared for my signature, they should be forwarded, along with properly addressed envelopes, to Toni Sidley. She, in turn, will attend to the insertions of enclosures and the addressing and mailing of the larger envelopes.

I would like this work completed by noon tomorrow, May 26th.

Many thanks.

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May 23, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BRUCE A. KEHRLI
Staff Secretary

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Early Closing of White House
Staff Mess (May 23-31)

In consideration of the facts that so many staff members are out of town and some two-thirds of the assigned food specialists are overseas in conjunction with the President's trip, I believe that we should close the White House Mess at 6:00 p.m. each weekday evening, rather than at 9:00 p.m. as we do when the President is in California. This schedule should be in effect through May 31st.

Please take steps right away to notify all concerned.

Thank you.

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May 23, 1972

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

Attention: Mr. Warren L. Gulley

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Use of the Camp David Facility

Further to my May 22nd memorandum on this same subject, you should know that Mr. Fred Malek will be using Camp David also. As in the case of Mr. Whitaker, his request will have to be approved by Mr. Ehrlichman prior to your setting the facility aside for his use. There will be a number of people in his party -- some 15-20.

Please be sure that you have one of the ladies on Mrs. Nixon's staff check with both Tricia and Julie prior to releasing the Camp to any of those who plan to use it during the next ten days (i. e. Ehrlichman, Whitaker and Malek).

Thank you.

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May 23, 1972

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

Attention: Mr. Warren L. Gulley

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Miscellaneous Items

The purpose of this note is to confirm in writing decisions made earlier in the day and relayed to you by telephone.

- 1) Secretary Laird's request to use Sequoia on the evening of June 1st is approved.
- 2) Mr. Weinberger's request for the White House Staff Mess (and Mess stewards) to cater the June 9th OMB cocktail party honoring outgoing Director George Shultz is disapproved. Please pass this word to Mr. Weinberger's office and suggest that the group hire outside caterers. They may be interested in using the Tayloe House for their party -- especially if they are expecting 200 guests, which I understand is the case.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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May 22, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROBERT TAYLOR
Special Agent in Charge
Presidential Protective Division
U.S. Secret Service

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Access to Oval Office Center Door

Bob:

About one year ago, we sent you a list of the people who were to have access to the center door of the Oval Office -- at EPS post E-6. The purpose of this note is only to confirm the policy of limited access to the Oval Office at that point ... and to update the aforementioned list.

Those who can go directly into the Oval Office by way of the center (hallway) door, unescorted are:

Mr. H. R. Haldeman
Mr. A. P. Butterfield
Mr. D. Chapin
Miss R. Woods
Mr. S. Bull
Mrs. N. Yates
Mrs. M. Acker
Mrs. M. Sidley
Mrs. B. Kaye

Anytime that another staff member, unaccompanied by one of the persons named above, requests access to the President's Oval Office at that particular point, the agent on duty there should tactfully request that he or she proceed through Mr. Bull's office.

If we are to preclude the President's being interrupted by unannounced intruders, it is important that we adhere to this procedure. Frequently the President will send for a staff member, then become engaged on the

telephone and/or involved in other business. Those named on the access list will in almost all cases know when it is convenient for the President for someone to enter unannounced. Others, in almost all cases, will not know this.

(I will appreciate your disseminating these instructions to all agents who might be concerned.)

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May 22, 1972

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

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Forthcoming Overseas Trip
by Secretary Connally

Further to my May 19th note to you on the subject of a military aircraft requirement for Secretary Connally's forthcoming trip, I can now confirm that the dates of travel will be June 2 - 25 ... and that a Presidential jet aircraft (VC-137) will be required. The countries to be visited -- subject only to change by Secretary Connally personally -- are Colombia, Brazil, Argentina, Peru, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore and Italy (Rome).

Major General Haig will be responsible for the early development of the trip schedule, and for making the proper contacts with foreign governments. You should deal with him at this stage of the game and perhaps later with someone such as Bill Pannill in the Treasury Secretary's office.

cc: Major General A. M. Haig

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May 22, 1972

Dear Mr. Etherington:

Thanks very much for your May 19th note concerning Mrs. Elizabeth Mack. I have passed on to Mr. Kingsley, our Personnel Chief, your endorsement of her competence and tact, and a copy of the resume. Should a secretarial need arise at the Western White House, I'm sure that he will get in touch with her and make arrangements for an interview.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable Edwin D. Etherington
Chairman of the Board
National Center for Voluntary Action
1735 Eye Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

cc: Mr. Daniel T. Kingsley

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 22, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. LUCY A. WINCHESTER
MRS. PENELOPE A. ADAMS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Evening at the White House in Honor
of Secretary and Mrs. John Connally

Further to my May 19th note to you on this same subject, I hasten to inform you of the fact that Secretary and Mrs. Connally will be on an overseas trip during the period June 2 - 25 ... so there will not be an Evening at the White House in their honor on the 17th. Dave Parker is in contact with Bob Haldeman and a new date will be fixed within a very few days. My guess is that the event honoring the Connallys will be held on or about July 1st.

You should move ahead on the planning for this particular Evening, and on a careful review of top performers. As I said in my earlier correspondence, the President is especially interested in lining up some really outstanding person or group.

I'll keep in touch on this.

cc: Miss Rose Mary Woods
Mrs. Constance Stuart

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May 22, 1972

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

Attention: Mr. Warren L. Gulley

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Classification of Military Air Travel
by First Family Members During
the Month of April

The following information pertains to your query concerning the classification of each military air trip made by Tricia Cox and Julie Eisenhower during the month of April:

- April 1 - Julie - official
- April 2 - Tricia and Ed - official
- April 6-7 - Julie - political
- April 7 - Tricia - personal
- April 8 - Julie - political
- April 8 - Tricia - personal
- April 11 - Tricia and Ed - personal
- April 11-12 - Julie - official
- April 15-16 - Tricia and Ed - official
- April 16 - Julie - official

- April 18 - Julie - official
- April 19 - Julie - official
- April 21 - Julie - official
- April 22 - Tricia - political
- April 25 - Tricia - political
- April 26-27 - Julie - official
- April 28 - Tricia - official

You should continue to check with this office when uncertain as to the purposes of military air travel by members of the First Family.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 22, 1972

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

Please prepare appropriate Presidential notes to Messrs. John Gieger (National Commander of the American Legion) and Joe Vicites (National Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars).

Material on which the texts are to be based is attached hereto.

You will want to coordinate these items with either Chuck Colson or Bill Rhatican prior to final typing.

Many thanks.

Attachments

cc: Charles Colson
Bill Rhatican

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 22, 1972

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

Attention: Mr. Warren L. Gulley

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Use of the Camp David Facility

Thanks very much for your May 18th note concerning Camp David. Guidance for its use by others -- those who have requested reservations during the period of the President's visit to Moscow, and those whose earlier requests had been approved prior to revision of the utilization policy -- appears below:

- Mr. Ehrlichman is to be scheduled when he wants it. The dates will be provided by Mr. Hullin.
- Acting FBI Director Pat Gray will have to plan to hold his conference with top FBI officials elsewhere. Please get this word to him, and to Acting Attorney General Kleindienst, right away ... and pass on our deep regret that this rescheduling has become necessary.
- Mr. John Whitaker may use the Camp in conjunction with Mr. Ehrlichman's use ... if Mr. Ehrlichman approves. (Mr. Whitaker may not use the facility on June 3rd.)
- The Apollo XVI Astronauts will be able to use Camp David, as scheduled, during the period June 15-17. As you know, their invitation was extended by the President personally.

- Secretary Butz will not be able to use the Camp on June 24 and 25.
- Counsellor Rumsfeld will not be able to use the Camp during the period, June 30-July 2.

I believe that by now all persons who held Camp David and Sequoia "request" privileges have been notified of the new policy. I have told the Cabinet Members and Under Secretaries, and Mr. Kehrli has notified the top Assistants on the President's staff.

cc: Mr. John D. Ehrlichman

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May 19, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DWIGHT L. CHAPIN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Presidential Gift Suggestions
(Austria, USSR, Iran and
Poland Visits)

At 5:30 p.m. today I received word from Henry Kissinger that all gift suggestions outlined in Ambassador Mosbacher's May 15th memorandum to the President had been approved.

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May 19, 1972

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

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Military Aircraft Requirement

You should know now that Secretary and Mrs. Connally will be making a round-the-world trip early in the summer -- leaving Washington within 2-7 days after the President returns from the Soviet Union. Everything is tentative at this point, of course, but the countries to be visited (for about 2 days each) will probably be: Colombia, Brazil, Argentina, Peru, New Zealand, Australia, certain nations on the African and European continents, possibly South Vietnam and Thailand, etc.

The President has already told the Treasury Secretary that a "Presidential aircraft" will be provided.

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cc Geo Haig - 5/22

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 19, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MRS. LUCY A. WINCHESTER
MRS. PENELOPE A. ADAMS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Evening at the White House in Honor
of Secretary and Mrs. John Connally

The President has indicated his desire to have an Evening at the White House -- not a dinner -- shortly after his return from Russia in honor of the departing Treasury Secretary and Mrs. Connally. Dave Parker has suggested June 17th ... but that date is only tentative.

The guest list for this event should include Cabinet Members, approximately 100 of the Connallys' Texas friends (which Rose will want to check very closely with Mrs. Connally), and 180-200 of "our" guests.

The subject has been mentioned already to Secretary Connally, so it is alright to go to him with questions concerning arrangements.

But the really important thing -- because time is so short -- is to line up appropriate entertainment. The President has emphasized his wish for something "really great" He has in mind dancing for the guests after the entertainment.

Please give some serious thought to this matter without delay and keep me abreast of ideas which appeal to you and Mrs. Nixon.

Many thanks.

cc: Miss Rose Mary Woods
Mrs. Constance Stuart

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May 19, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROBERT C. ODLE, JR.
Citizens Committee for the
Re-election of the President

SUBJECT: Secret Service Protection
for Ed Nixon

I received the recommendation that you passed on from the Committee's security man that Ed Nixon be provided Secret Service protection ... essentially because of his resemblance to the Chief Executive. Whereas I cannot argue the merit of the recommendation, or the requirement itself, I can tell you that there is no legal authority whatever for tasking the USSS for this purpose. The statutes identify very clearly those who qualify for the protective security service afforded by this agency.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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May 19, 1972

Tricia and Julie:

Here are some letters, telegrams
and editorials that the President thought
would be of interest to you both.

Alex Butterfield

May 19, 1972
11:30 a.m.

Bob:

If you are considering John Ehrlichman's request to see the President sometime today about the Black Lung issue, you may want to know that the President is interested in a rundown on positions pro and con. He mentioned the legislation twice while we were at Camp David and intimated that he hoped John would be ready to brief him prior to his departure for Russia.

May 17, 1972

(Dictated from Camp David)

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

Following are two points of which you should be aware:

1. Governor Wallace has accepted the President's invitation to use the Presidential Suite at Walter Reed, but the hospital and Lukash say he cannot be moved for two to three days.
2. The President wanted to call Governor Wallace today. Mrs. Wallace thought this was fine but the Governor himself preferred to wait until tomorrow to receive the President's telephone call. The Governor is having occasional morphine shots and in addition his hearing is not very good. The President will probably call Wallace tomorrow. Lukash will arrange the time.

The President has the above information.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 16, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Notification of Wallace Shooting

You asked for particulars concerning my delay in getting word to you about the attempt on Governor Wallace's life yesterday afternoon. The answer, in a word, is that I had nothing but unconfirmed bits and pieces of information until 2-3 minutes before you called me on the telephone (4:19 or 4:20). Toni was at that moment typing a very short paragraph of alleged facts which you were to receive ... before anyone else (so help me!).

The sequence of events was almost precisely as indicated below:

- 4:00 p.m. - Taylor was in my office meeting with me on matters unrelated to Governor Wallace.
- 4:06 p.m. - Ron Pontius stuck his head in my office doorway to tell Bob (and me) that the Secret Service radio net had just been informed by the Maryland State Police that "there had been a shooting in the Wallace detail, and that they thought the principal was involved". Steve had just come to my office on other business and heard the report.
- 4:07 p.m. - Taylor went to my phone and called the Secret Service command post to direct that all further news be relayed to him in my office ... "as it was received". I told Steve to go back to his office and to keep quiet until something was known about Wallace's involvement -- and physical condition, if involved.
- 4:11 p.m. - Steve called me on the IO to suggest his alerting Ray Price to the news and the possibility of the need rather quickly of a Presidential statement. I agreed, and Steve called Ray.

- 4:12 p.m. - Taylor received his second report (Pontius' statement being the first). It came from the Secret Service command post and confirmed that there was a shooting and that Wallace was hit and then en route to Leland Memorial Hospital in Riverdale, Maryland. We learned nothing at that time about the seriousness of the Governor's condition.
- 4:15 p.m. - Taylor's third report came in: "Wallace has just arrived at the Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring. Three others were hit during the shooting. The assailant has been apprehended and is being held at the Hyattsville police station."
- 4:16 p.m. - I dictated to Toni what was fairly certain knowledge up to that point. Exactly 10 minutes had transpired since Pontius' interruption of our meeting.
- 4:19 p.m. (approx.) - You called me and I told you all that I knew, including the fact that Price had been alerted. I mentioned, too, that I was purposely withholding distribution of news items being given to me pending their confirmation -- and that I had no intention of notifying the President, at least until his meeting with Kendall and Flanigan concluded. You sounded as though you approved.

Again, your call preceded by only a few minutes -- as long as it was going to take Toni to type an 8-line paragraph -- my hand carrying a note to your office. Every action that I took was pre-meditated.

cc: Mr. Stephen B. Bull

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
AGENDA

CABINET MEETING
Tuesday, May 16, 1972
11:00 A.M.

COMMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT

Alexander P. Butterfield

TO BE IN ATTENDANCE

At Cabinet Table

The President

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Secretary Rogers *U. Sec. Sec*

Secretary Connally

Deputy Secretary Rush

Acting Attorney General Kleindienst

Secretary Morton

Secretary Butz

Secretary Peterson

Secretary Hodgson

Secretary Richardson

Secretary Romney

Secretary Volpe

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Director Shultz

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Counsellor Rumsfeld

Ambassador Bush

Staff

Mr. Haldeman

Mr. Ehrlichman

Dr. Kissinger

Mr. Flanigan

Mr. MacGregor

Dr. David

Mr. Scali

Mr. Klein

Mr. R. Price

Mr. Ziegler

Mr. Butterfield

Mr. Colson

Mr. Malek

Mr. R. Brown

Others

Mr. Weinberger, Dep Dir, OMB

Dr. Solomon, CEA

Mr. K. Cole

(Unable to Attend)

(Vice President - Japan)

(Sec Rogers - on Hill)

(Sec Laird - Denmark)

(Amb Kennedy - Brussels)

(Counsellor Finch - California)