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September 11, 1972

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

Roland:

Please prepare a brief Presidential note to Bill Duncan, Deputy Special Agent in Charge of the Presidential Protective Division (USSS). Information on which to base the text is attached hereto.

The President wants to say something along these lines:

Dear Bill:

We miss you and look forward to your
early return to duty.

Thank you.

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September 11, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MAJOR GENERAL A. M. HAIG
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Your September 9th TWX to the President
Concerning Rising Tensions in the Middle East

While at Camp David this weekend, the President read your September 9th wire concerning rising tensions in the Middle East. He appreciated your keeping him abreast of developments ... and was especially pleased to note that you had made it clear to Minister Idan that a continuation of unprovoked military aggression on the part of Israel would not be understood, or condoned, at this end of the line.

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September 11, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS ELISKA A. HASEK

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Preparation of Brief Presidential
Note of Condolence

Please prepare a very brief Presidential note of condolence to Mrs. George B. Simler, whose husband was killed in an aircraft accident early Saturday afternoon. Lt. General and Mrs. Simler met the President and First Lady as they deplaned at Randolph Air Force Base some two months ago. Until his untimely death, Simler was Commander of the Air Training Command which is located at the San Antonio base. He was recently selected to the grade of full General (4-Star rank). The promotion was to have been effective Tuesday, September 12, as he assumed command of the Military Aircraft Command -- a global USAF organization headquartered at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois.

General Simler had just written a letter to the President, a copy of which is attached hereto.

A memorial service is being held at Randolph AFB today, and the funeral service and burial will take place at the Air Force Academy in Colorado tomorrow.

Many thanks.

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cc: Mr. Raymond K. Price, Jr.

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September 11, 1972

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS GERTRUDE T. BROWN
Security Assistant

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Security Clearances

Please clear for the issuance of appropriate White House identification Mr. Peter Jarvis and Mr. James Hunter. Both, as you know, are to be Advancemen on Mr. Ron Walker's staff.

Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 11, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROLAND L. ELLIOTT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Preparation of Presidential
Note of Congratulations

Please prepare a brief Presidential note of congratulations to Miss Terry Anne Neeusen, recently selected Miss America for 1973.

The President read about her on page two of today's News Summary and was pleased to see that she is a political conservative and fully in agreement with "the policies that are being held by the Party that's in office now". In addition to sending her the note of congratulations, he wants to invite her to the White House for a brief appointment in the Oval Office.

You should coordinate this entire matter with Mr. David Parker. It may very well be that you will want to use the Presidential letter for "inviting" as well as for "congratulating".

Many thanks.

cc: Mr. Raymond K. Price, Jr.
Mr. Charles W. Colson
Mr. Dwight L. Chapin
Mr. David N. Parker
Mr. Stephen B. Bull

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September 8, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR:

CLARK MacGREGOR

FROM:

ALEXANDER BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT:

Agenda for September 12th
GOP Leadership-Cabinet Breakfast
Meeting

Bob Haldeman just told me that you should be the one to put together the agenda for next Tuesday morning's meeting. Perhaps he has talked to you on the telephone and given you some guidelines. Regardless, I will give you here in this brief note the guidelines I received myself from the President yesterday afternoon. (Bill Timmons has been apprised of this information.)

- Dominick and Wilson should not present their Senate and House campaign pitches.
- MacGregor can give a rundown on the issues, the battle-ground states, organizations, etc. -- but not anything on poll data. (The President does not ever want poll data discussed with others while he is present.)
- The idea of Bill Brock giving a ten-minute briefing on the youth program is a good one.
- The meeting should move along efficiently, and the material should be interesting. There should be an upbeat tone to everything.

Whatever you come up with between now and Monday morning early please coordinate with Bill Timmons, who will coordinate in turn with Bob Haldeman. I must have the final material no later than noon Monday.

Many thanks.

✓cc: Mr. Butterfield

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

In consideration of Senator Edward M. Kennedy's recently expressed concern for his personal safety during the coming weeks and his request for Secret Service protection, the President has directed that such protection be furnished as soon as possible, but on a temporary basis.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable George P. Shultz
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

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September 7, 1972

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to your oral recommendation of earlier in the day, the President, by the authority conferred upon him by Title 3, U. S. Code, Section 202, directs that Executive Protective Service assistance be rendered on a temporary basis to appropriate foreign missions in New York City. He leaves to your discretion the strength of the force and the duration of its stay.

Sincerely,

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable George P. Shultz
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

PERSONAL

September 7, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: HONORABLE GEORGE P. SHULTZ
Secretary of the Treasury

SUBJECT: Mayor John Lindsay's September 6th
Letter to the President

I am attaching to this note New York City Mayor John Lindsay's letter to the President of September 6th. It is my understanding that you and Assistant Secretary Rossides have received copies already and discussed the matter with Ambassador Bush and officials at the Department of State.

Please respond appropriately to the Mayor in the President's behalf -- and forward a copy of your correspondence to the office of the Staff Secretary here at the White House.

Thank you.

Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

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September 7, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BRUCE A. KEHRLI
Staff Secretary

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Payment of Bills for Social Functions

Bruce:

Here are two quick items pertaining to the payment of bills for social functions:

- Rex Scouten will submit to you itemized expenditures for the July and September Cabinet-GOP Leadership breakfast meetings.
- You can hold off until early November on the payment of other bills we discussed during our meeting yesterday afternoon.

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September 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Vietnam Casualty Report

The President wanted you to note the fact that only one U.S. combat death was reported from MACV for the week ending September 2nd.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DAVID N. PARKER
MR. STEPHEN B. BULL

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: The President's Schedule --
Frank Van der Linden

Frank Van der Linden just called to say that his publishers have prepared a "very special leather bound" copy of his new book, "Nixon's Quest for Peace" for the President. Frank, who as you probably know is a fairly good friend, would like an opportunity to drop by the Oval Office for no more than 2-3 minutes for the purpose of presenting the book to the President, personally.

I would appreciate your consideration of this proposal -- and your getting back to Van der Linden within several days. His office telephone number is 225-4551.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Handshake with Detroit Tigers
Pitcher, Mickey Lolich
September 7, 1972
3:20 p.m. (3 mins)
The Oval Office

I. PURPOSE: To greet Lolich and congratulate him on his 20th win.

II. BACKGROUND: Bob Griffin requested this appointment.

The Detroit Tigers baseball team, along with Manager Billy Martin, was here last summer on a tour of the White House -- but you were unable to see them at the time.

Lolich won his 20th game last night against Baltimore. Detroit leads the League now, and Lolich is probably the leading pitcher in the Majors.

III. PARTICIPANTS: Mickey Lolich, Senator Bob Griffin and Tom Korologos

IV. PRESS PLAN: Ollie Atkins will take 2-3 quick photographs of you and Lolich in front of the Service Flags -- then 2-3 of you, Lolich and Griffin.

V. TALKING POINT: It would be appropriate if you would tell Lolich how sorry you were to have been tied up last year when he and his teammates toured the White House -- and that because of that unfortunate circumstance, you are especially glad to be able to greet him today as a representative of his team, and to congratulate him on his 20th win.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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September 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DAVID N. PARKER
MR. STEPHEN B. BULL

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Painting of North Portico

You have probably received notice already from Rex Scouten that a scaffold will be in place under the North Portico during the period September 11-22. Please double check appointment calendars of both the President and First Lady to be sure that no events are scheduled during this time which might require use by guests of the North Portico area.

Thank you.

cc: Mrs. Constance Stuart
Mrs. Lucy A. Winchester

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September 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BRUCE A. KEHRLI
Staff Secretary

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Request from Mr. William Codus

Bill Codus has asked for membership to the White House Staff Mess. My recommendation is that he be considered along with all other Staff Assistants, based on whatever system you use in your membership determinations.

Please respond to Codus' request appropriately.

Thank you.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. JOHN D. EHRLICHMAN
MR. DAVID N. PARKER
MR. STEPHEN B. BULL

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Governor Nelson Rockefeller

I think it is important that someone (probably John Ehrlichman) get back to Governor Rockefeller today with at least an interim response to his reminder of yesterday that he is to meet with the President sometime this week. Please coordinate this action among yourselves.

Thank you.

cc: Mr. Dwight L. Chapin

September 7, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ALFRED WONG
SAIC, Technical Security Division
U. S. Secret Service

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Identification Booklet for
Mr. William Carruthers

Please prepare an identification booklet for Mr. William Carruthers, Special Consultant to the President. He is now in possession of a permanent White House pass.

cc: Miss Gertrude T. Brown
Agent Ronald Pontius, USSS

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September 7, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Dave Hoopes' Work at the
National Convention

Bob:

Dave Hoopes really came into his own while working on the ticket distribution project at the National Convention. I am not exaggerating when I say that 2-3 people stopped me almost every day to tell me what a great job he had done in the organizing of the activity.

For these reasons -- and because Dave has not enjoyed during his 16 months on the White House staff quite the recognition that certain others have -- I think a short complimentary note from you would be appropriate. And I say you, rather than MacGregor or Timmons or someone else, because I think it would mean more; besides, Dave works for you (ultimately) on a day-to-day basis.

Some background information is at Tab A, and a suggested note, in final form, is at Tab B.

Attachments

September 7, 1972

Dear Dave:

I've heard from Bill Timmons, Alex Butterfield, Gordon Strachan and others about your expert handling of the ticket distribution project at the National Convention. Because the supply has never yet met the demand, and because of the hundreds of complications which always arise, that particular job in past years has been a real can of worms -- one which everyone has tried his best to avoid. But from all reports, you accepted the task willingly and worked at it sufficiently long and hard to achieve a record high in happy and satisfied customers.

Thanks for so ably contributing to the success of the Convention.

Sincerely,

H. R. Haldeman
Assistant to the President

Dr. David C. Hoopes
Staff Assistant
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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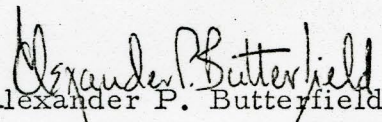
September 6, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

SUBJECT: Cabinet - GOP Congressional
Leadership Breakfast

There will be a breakfast meeting of Members of the Cabinet and the GOP Congressional Leadership in the State Dining Room beginning at 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 12. Agenda information will be relayed to you as soon as it is known.


Alexander P. Butterfield
Deputy Assistant to the President

PERSONAL

September 6, 1972

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

Please prepare a very brief Presidential birthday greeting to Mrs. C. Oscar Lamy of St. Louis, Missouri. Information on which to base the text appears on the attached sheet.

I do not think that the inclusion of a Presidential photograph is necessary, but you may want to touch base on this matter with Rose Woods.

Thank you.

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cc: Miss Rose Mary Woods

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September 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. HENRY A. KISSINGER

Attention: Major General A. M. Haig

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Presidential Delegation to Israel

Again, if there is to be a Presidential delegation to the burial service or services of those Israeli athletes who were killed yesterday in Munich, I would like to put forth a suggestion for membership from Chuck Colson and his staff: The man is Senator Hubert Humphrey. Evidently, Humphrey is more closely associated with the Jewish community in America than any other man in the U.S. Senate. To include him in the delegation would be a real stroke, if this is true ... and of course it would drive McGovern up the wall.

Another suggestion which Pat Buchanan just made is Congressman Bob Mathias. As I am sure you know, he was a two-time Olympic decathlon winner (1948 and 1952). (Incidentally, Pat suggests Scoop Jackson as an alternative to Hubert Humphrey. Scoop, too, is closely associated with the American Jewish community.)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN
DR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
MR. WILLIAM E. TIMMONS
BRIG. GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Decisions Concerning David Berger
(Deceased) and the Munich Tragedy

It is my understanding that consideration is being given to Presidential authorization of the use of military aircraft for the purpose of transporting Israeli Olympic athlete David Berger's body from Munich to Ohio for burial.

The purpose of this note is only to remind those concerned that we turn down approximately 100 such requests each year ... and of course there are always "extenuating circumstances". Berger's case is perhaps unique in that it is tied to a tragedy which has shocked civilized people everywhere -- in all countries. But it is not true that the body cannot be buried if not returned to Ohio "by tomorrow (Thursday) evening".

Rosh Hashanah begins officially at 1:00 p.m. on Friday and lasts only over the weekend. Therefore, the family would have to wait only until Monday for the burial if the body were not returned prior to mid-morning Friday.

I am still standing by to implement whatever action or actions the President wishes to take. If, meanwhile, one of you has assumed responsibility for implementing a plan, please let me know and I will so inform Bruce Kehrli, Ray Price, Dick Cook (who is in touch with Congressman Vanik), the Military Assistant and others who have a direct interest.

Thank you.

cc: Major General A. M. Haig
Mr. Richard Cook

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September 6, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. BRUCE A. KEHRLI
Staff Secretary

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: The Haig Nomination

Bruce:

Please hold the Haig nomination until you hear from me. In all probability, we will not release it for another 10-14 days -- after termination of the hearings on the Hill on the subject of command and control and the role of the military in foreign policy decisions.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Taped Message Honoring
H. R. Gross

Max:

The President will not be placing a telephone call to H. R. Gross on Saturday evening, September 9th. He may, however, consider taping a 100-word message to be read at the dinner on this special occasion.

If you want to pursue this possibility, please prepare a 90-100 word message, have it approved by Ray Price, and attach it to a regular "schedule proposal." Forward the entire package, as soon as possible, to Mr. Steve Bull who is now handling such matters. Steve will run it through the mill and get back to you in time for you to alert the dinner officials.

cc: Mr. Dwight Chapin
Mr. Richard Cook
Mr. Dave Parker
Mr. Stephen Bull

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September 6, 1972
1:30 p.m.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MAJOR GENERAL A. M. HAIG
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Presidential Recognition of
the Munich Tragedy

Al:

I'm not as excited about this subject as my memos would indicate, but I have heard from someone -- Jerry Warren, I believe, that you now have responsibility for action on this project ... if there is to be any. The concern at the moment is about an Executive Order. We have one prepared. It is on my desk and ready for the President's signature -- and we have been keeping the Federal Register open all morning for its inclusion. Can you tell me if there is to be an Executive Order or Proclamation? The Register will have to close for the day by 2:00 p.m.

Thanks.

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September 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
Attention: Major General A. M. Haig
FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD
SUBJECT: Presidential Delegation

Al:

Is there to be a Presidential delegation to the funeral service or services of the Israeli Olympians? If so, Bill Safire, Len Garment and Pat Buchanan strongly recommend the inclusion of swimming champion Mark Spitz. As you know, he is not only Jewish, but young, an Olympic athlete and non-political.

As soon as you get some definite information on this subject -- that is, the subject of a delegation -- please let me know.

Many thanks.

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September 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. STEPHEN B. BULL

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: The President's Schedule and
Governor Nelson Rockefeller

Governor Nelson Rockefeller telephoned the President at 2:50 p.m. today and I took the call. He said that in a discussion with the President during the days of the Convention, he had been asked to come down for an Oval Office visit sometime "during the first week" after the President's return from California ... to talk about the "handling of the Congress and legislative matters during the first six months of the year", and about campaign tactics. He went on to say that he would be delighted to speak to the President about these things on the telephone, but that in his opinion a personal visit in the Oval Office or at Camp David would be more appropriate.

I assured him that I would relay the message and that I, or someone on the staff (quite possibly Mr. Ehrlichman) would get back to him within a day or two.

cc: Mr. John D. Ehrlichman
Mr. Dwight L. Chapin
Mr. David N. Parker

September 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MISS ROSE MARY WOODS

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Julie Eisenhower's Selection
of Photograph

Rose:

Here are the six Bachrach photographs of Julie and David. Their selection -- Julie's really -- is no. 057.

You will want to pass on to Bachrach, too, Julie's strong preference that the tops of the iron spikes in the background be cropped ... and that the photo be cut off at the bottom somewhere around the knees. It may be that Bachrach will think the cropping at the bottom of the present photo will spoil the composition -- and if that is the case, we needn't press the matter.

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September 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. LILBURN E. BOGGS
Deputy Director
U. S. Secret Service

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Miscellaneous Items

Here are two matters which I wish you would look into this morning.
I will need the facts before noon.

- 1) The Department of Defense has informed General Scowcroft's office that Senator McGovern "will be landing at Ellington Air Force Base in Texas" on September 7th at approximately 11:25 a.m. He is scheduled to depart that installation at 2:05 p.m. on the same day. You will recall that not long ago we discussed this subject and you let me know that it was a very clear understanding at your headquarters that military facilities were not to be used by the Democratic nominee for President and other candidates for political office. The "Andrews incident" occurred before the agents assigned to Senator McGovern were reminded of the normal policy.-- but now, presumably, they have been notified and this DOD information comes as a surprise. Security, under all normal circumstances, is not to be considered an acceptable excuse for using U.S. military bases for "political" arrivals and departures.
- 2) There is a rumor floating around that "a number of Secret Service agents are combing the Doylestown, Pennsylvania area in anticipation of a Presidential visit to a Polish festival" there sometime in the near future. No such activity is planned for the President, at least at this time. No doubt, this is one of those cases in which a casual passer-by gets wind of the

presence of a private investigator or someone acting in a similar role and thinks immediately that the fellow is a Secret Service agent advancing a Presidential visit. Nevertheless, I would appreciate your checking with the Secret Service detail of all protectees to see if anyone of them is planning a trip to Doylestown.

Many thanks.

cc: Mr. Clinton J. Hill, USSS

Delivered in an envelope marked, "Personal - to be opened only by Mr. Lilburn Boggs"

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September 6, 1972

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ALFRED WONG
SAIC, Technical Security Division
U. S. Secret Service

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: White House-OEOB Passes

According to the Staff Secretary, the attached list contains the names of all White House staff members who have transferred to the Committee for the Re-election of the President.

Please check this information for accuracy with your own records and at the same time indicate which people have in their possession a White House or OEOB pass.

Thank you.

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cc: Miss Trudy Brown

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 5, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. LEONARD GARMENT
MR. RONALD L. ZIEGLER
MR. CHARLES W. COLSON

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Presidential Phone Calls - September 5th

The President placed telephone calls today to Prime Minister Golda Meir (1:33-1:37 p.m. PDT) and Ambassador Rabin in Vancouver, B.C. (11:17-11:25 p.m. BDT)

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September 5, 1972

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

Please prepare a short Presidential note of thanks to Ed Harper ... basing the text on the information on the attached sheet. You should coordinate, before final typing, with Ken Cole and Bill Timmons.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Mr. William Timmons
Mr. Kenneth Cole

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 4, 1972

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

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

FROM: ALEXANDER P. BUTTERFIELD

SUBJECT: Military Aircraft Assignments

Brent:

I have a telephone call in to you now ... so the purpose of this note is really to confirm in writing what I will tell you when I talk to you:

- A special military aircraft should not be assigned to Mr. Russell Train's forthcoming trip to Brussels and Moscow. The arrangements which he (Train) has proposed are being scaled down somewhat at the present time. Travel will undoubtedly be via commercial carrier.
- I have just learned that the Jet Star which is in Palm Springs standing by as the Vice President's backup aircraft will be returning to the east coast empty. If this is the case, it would seem to me that we should reconsider our decision of the other day concerning Mrs. Agnew's travel plan from west to east. Art Sohmer tells me that she will be motoring from Palm Springs to the "political event" in Los Angeles -- and back again to Palm Springs. From that point on, I should think that her flying to Washington aboard the Jet Star would be alright. Unless you know of some loophole I may have overlooked, let's do it this way.

Thanks.

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Sun, Sep 3, 1972
3:00 p. m.

MR. PRESIDENT:

Colson missed the program on the East Coast, but heard that Meany was great and called me to suggest your moving up the phone call by 1 day.

I caught the program here at 10:30 a. m. and can vouch for the "endorsement".
(And it wasn't all left-handed.)

Alex

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: George Meany

RECOMMENDED BY: Charles Colson

NOTE

In consideration of Meany's performance on "Face the Nation" this morning, I recommend that you call him today (preferably before release of your Labor Day speech) rather than tomorrow.

PURPOSE: To make a (near) Labor Day contact -- and to congratulate him on his "Face the Nation" performance today.

BACKGROUND: Meany was absolutely superb. The 30-minute program was essentially a sharp criticism of McGovern. It was at the very least a left-handed endorsement of you. ✓

Meany made the CBS correspondents -- Schorr, Eaton and Hermann -- appear ridiculous more often than once. Every time they tried to box him in to a derogatory statement about you or the Administration, he turned it around and lashed out at McGovern. Two brief examples are:

- (1) Meany -- "Yes, I criticized Mr. Nixon. In fact, I spent as much time as anyone in the country criticizing him for his solutions to the economic situation. Everyone assumed by that that I would be for anyone else who might decide to run for President. But that could not be further from the truth. I am very definitely not for Mr. McGovern in this Presidential race."

- (2) Meany -- "McGovern is an apologist for the Communist world." Interviewer -- "Those are pretty strong words." Meany -- "Well, you may call them strong, but what I say is true. Mr. McGovern has said that the Soviet buildup after World War II was due in large part to the threats being posed by the U.S. He seems to forget that our armed force was reduced to practically nothing after the War. He is supposed to be a history teacher -- but he doesn't seem to know much about the subject." Interviewer -- "Don't you think that Mr. Nixon's trips to Peking and Moscow indicate a similar sort of romancing of the Communists?" Meany -- "Not at all. Mr. Nixon is playing an international chess game -- and very cleverly I might add. I was a little dubious of all of this at first, but so far so good. The President doesn't seem to be making any mistakes. And the important thing to remember is that he's not being taken in by the Communists. I can't say that for McGovern."

TALKING POINTS:

1. I've heard from several of my staff members that you were great on "Face the Nation" today.
2. We liked the way you cut up those CBS correspondents.
- ✓ 3. Incidentally, I'll be using some of your suggestions in my Labor Day speech.

Sunday, September 3, 1972

- Copy of the other Meany call sheet is attached. It contains a separate talking point. *A*

- Written by APB
Sept. 3, 1972