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The President Ford Committee

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: BO CALLAWAY
SUBJECT: WEEKLY REPORT #5, Week Ending August 9, 1975

ORGANIZATION - Lee Nunn and I met with Jack Stiles to discuss his role in the campaign. He will begin work on September 2nd, reporting to Lee Nunn. We discussed the title of Deputy Director of Organization but Jack preferred the more flexible title of Consultant to the President Ford Committee.

STATE COMMITTEES

NORTH CAROLINA - The Press Conference announcing Governor Holshouser's endorsement of the President and naming the State Co-Chairmen was attended by 108 people, representing a broad cross section of Party Leadership and the business community. Of the 108, 92 signed "Count-Me-In" cards at the luncheon following. Organizers for the Conference said that they have never--for any election--had the enthusiasm and support which was generated for this event. I am scheduled for a 2-day trip into North Carolina on August 21/22.

CALIFORNIA - The Steering Committee has received signed pledge cards for an additional 100+ individuals, including 9 former members of the Governor's Cabinet. These names will be released to the press within the next 10 days.

I met with Cap Weinberger to discuss his participation and support. He is working on two key individuals for their endorsement and will help in every way possible. He does feel, however, that he cannot lend his name to the Committee at this time for business reasons. I am to get back to him within the week to follow up this initial meeting.

GENERAL - Each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia have been personally contacted for suggestions for Finance Chairmen. A detailed report is listed under "Finance."

SENATE AND HOUSE

REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL COMMITTEE - I met with Ted Stevens and Glee Gomen to discuss liaison of the PFC with campaigns of non-incumbent senatorial candidates. Lee Nunn was appointed liaison with this group. Ted indicated that only 3 Democrats are presently unopposed, of which two should definitely have opposition to keep them occupied during the election period--Senators Pastore and Williams. The third, Senator Stennis, will probably not have opposition.

Senator Hiram Fong has not yet announced his intention to seek re-election and Ted believes a call from you may be necessary to convince him to run. Ted feels that Hiram is the only Republican who can win a statewide seat in Hawaii.

INCUMBENT SENATORS - I met with the A.A.'s of the 10 incumbent senators to discuss coordination of the PFC with their campaigns. They urged that we work closely with them and that we especially coordinate any Presidential trips through them to the greatest extent possible to maximize the political impact.

FINANCE - Contributions as of August 9 totalled \$551,099.

STATE FINANCE CHAIRMEN - Chairmen have been recommended and we have received clearance in Alabama, California, Kansas, Missouri, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Wisconsin and the District of Columbia. Dave Packard is to call each and ask them to serve.

Recommendations are usually requested from one or two key State leaders and their recommendations are subsequently cleared through the National Committee members, Republican Governors, Senators and Congressmen in each State. During the clearance procedure additional names can be recommended if the individuals so desire. Only after one name is agreed on does Dave Packard call to ask that individual to serve as Chairman. A manual outlining legal restrictions is mailed to the Finance Chairman after he has accepted. A list of those individuals who have accepted will be sent with next week's report.

The response from State leadership has been very encouraging and all seem appreciative of the effort to coordinate with them.

SCHEDULE - WEEK OF AUGUST 11 (Major Appointments)

Monday	Meeting with Bill Timmons Meeting with Bob Hartmann
Tuesday/ Wednesday	Illinois - meetings with Harold Smith, State Party leadership, State Central Committee (Chicago and Springfield)
Thursday	Ohio - Meetings with Governor Rhodes, State Party leadership

cc: Don Rumsfeld