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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JACK MARRS 

THROUGH: DON RUMSFELD

SUBJECT: Delegation to Bicentennial
Opening in London

You might be interested to know that Pearl Bailey, who you designated to be one of the delegates to the Bicentennial opening in London, canceled her show on the West Coast to accept this invitation.

Her producer called Ted Marrs' office to advise that Pearl said that when "her President asked her to do something, she has to respond" and, therefore, her show was canceled until her return.

A copy of the full delegation is being sent to you.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 13, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DICK CHENEY

FROM: RON NESSEN RAN

RBC HAS SEEN

As you may have heard, Pearl Bailey will retire from her forty-year show business career following her current appearance in "Hello Dolly" at the Kennedy Center which closes Saturday, January 24.

Dr. Kissinger, I, and several others on the White House staff have been to see the show during its current run and she has been very gracious to all of us. She also has spoken quite emotionally of her impending retirement and her service with the American Delegation to the United Nations, to which she is looking forward.

Obviously, she would like you and/or Mrs. Ford to attend one of her performances on or before January 24. If this is not possible -- and I expect it is not -- you might want to consider a telephone call to Pearl and perhaps sending a bouquet of flowers on the occasion of her retirement.

