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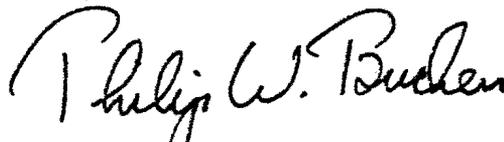
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 11, 1975

Dear Commander O'Brien:

My staff and I thank you and your crew very much for the delightful cruise we had on the Sequoia last week. Our guests were General Counsels of the various departments and agencies and officials of the Justice Department, and they also very much enjoyed the occasion and the rare opportunity to enjoy the luxury of the Sequoia and the beauty of the Potomac and its shoreline.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Lt. Commander John O'Brien
Commanding Officer of the
Naval Administrative Unit
Washington Navy Yard
Washington, D. C. 20390



W/H
Social Office

Monday 6/16/75

President

1:45 The Social Office of the White House said there was nothing scheduled for the Willard High School group.

I called Don Roskam's residence in Grand Rapids and his wife said they were at the White House last Thursday. I asked if they had sung for the President and she had not heard from them to say whether or not they did.

I have checked with Warren Rustand's office and they have no information on it.

Am now checking with Central Files to see if they received a telegram to the President. They have nothing.

Checking to see if a telegram was received in that office. They received a telegram dated June 6 to the President. Sent to Mrs. Reta Shay (Chief of Mails)---who is out until 6/27. 2541

Someone in that office is checking to see where the telegram went. Should have gone to the Social Office.



ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: *7*

Date: July 23, 1975

Time:

FOR ACTION:

cc (for information):

- Phil Buchen ✓
- Bob Hartmann
- Jack Marsh
- Paul Theis

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Monday, July 28

Time: 5 P.M.

SUBJECT:

Response to Several Correspondent Groups
 Who are Requesting Change in Coverage
 Arrangements at White House Social Receptions

ACTION REQUESTED:

For Necessary Action

For Your Recommendations

Prepare Agenda and Brief

Draft Reply

For Your Comments

Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

July 25, 1975

I concur in the proposed Presidential letter.

P.W.B.
 Philip Buchen



PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

Jim Connor
 For the President



W/C Boehm

NORTHERN OHIO CHILDREN'S PERFORMING MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC.

"The Singing Angels"

July 25th, 1975

ROOM 25 - EUCLID ARCAD
510 EUCLID AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115
621-5117

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Mrs. Philip Buchen
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Buchen:

The Singing Angels had the great pleasure of singing for President Ford in Cleveland on July 3rd, 1975. After the standing ovation given the Angels, President Ford rose to address the children and gave them a rich and unforgettable compliment.

As the designated "Spirit of '76 Youth of America", the Singing Angels will make a two month tour of the nation in 1976. The tour includes Washington, D. C. (June 20th and 21st, 1976). We would hope to make a return visit to the White House on one of those days. If necessary, we will re-arrange our schedule to accomodate the White House.

President Ford was very impressed with the children and when I informally (from the stage) suggested a White House Concert, he waved agreement.

Since our tour is a mammoth challenge in logistics, I would appreciate hearing from you as soon as is convenient.

A return visit to the White House would be the highlight of this historic tour for the Angels.

Sincerely,

William C. Boehm
Director

WCB:edl



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

M. H. G. 2/4

July 28, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: NANCY RUWE

FROM:

PHILIP BUCHEN

P.W.B.

Among people from the Grand Rapids area whom you may want to include as invitees to some future White House affair are Mr. Harry J. Bloem and his wife, Rose. They reside at:

6924 Oak Brook Drive, S. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506
Tele: 616-949-5824

The suggestion, of course, should be cleared with the President or the First Lady.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*W.H.
Social*

July 28, 1975

Dear Harry:

Many thanks for sending me a draft of the Kent County General Assistance Policy. I know this has been a long time in the making, and I am glad to see the task accomplished to the point of allowing for public hearings on the draft. I am afraid that due to the press of other matters, I will not be able to make any detailed comments, but my general impression is that the proposals are well conceived and should do much to achieve uniformity and clarity in the administration of General Assistance.

On the matter of an invitation for you and Rose to the White House, I will make a suggestion to the White House Social Office, but I cannot be sure what the outcome will be.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. H. J. Bloem
Executive Vice President
and General Manager
Bissell Incorporated
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49501



W/H Social
Office

Thursday 9/11/75

W.H. Dinner
10/2/75

7:35 In case you wanted the background information to use in replying to Baroness Stackelberg's letter attached is a copy of my memo to the Social Office and the background information from State and NSC.



Thursday 9/11/75

W. H. Dimes
10/2/75

915 I called the Japanese desk at the State Dept. and spoke with Dave Brown.

He said the guest list had already been sent from State to NSC's Social Office for clearance. He said he thinks it has been finalized. Thinks the only Japanese guests would be the officials of the Embassy.

He wouldn't recommend they invite Japanese businessmen regardless of how prominent. The only person who was given consideration was a man who was famous in the arts and sciences in this country -- nationally and internationally -- on personality -- who represents cultural ties.

He suggested I talk with Carole Farrar of NSC Social Office. 395-5028

She suggested I write a note to the W. H. Social Office and say that State doesn't feel strongly given his importance and the NSC agrees that unless there are a lot of regrets this man should not be included in the guest list unless there is room.

There are so many others that should be invited.

However, I did not put that in my memo -- just a plain referral with a copy to Carole.

*White House
Social Office*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 10, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: PAT HOWARD

FROM: EVA DAUGHTREY *Eva*

As requested by Mr. Buchen, I am sending a copy of a letter from Baroness Garnett Stackelberg asking if the White House might consider inviting Mr. Hisashi Matsunaga to the White House dinner to be given for the Japanese Emperor on October 2, 1975.

Jan Ingersoll had suggested I refer the request to you.

Attachment

cc: Carole Farrar



Baroness Garnett Stackelberg
1673 Columbia Road
Washington, D. C. 20009

Telephone: 605-8806 - ext. 709
232-6735 667-6520

Aug. 25, 1975.

Mr. Philip Buchen,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Buchen,

I realize I am taking a liberty in writing you, but you know I lived in the Far East for ten years before the war and know quite a bit about China and Japan.

Since the dinner is being given for the Emperor on Oct. 2nd I wanted to ask if whoever is arranging the list, if they might consider as a guest one of the greatest Japanese gentlemen I have met in all the years I knew the Orient, a Mr. Hisashi Matsunaga. He is the powerful President of the Japan Lines, Ltd. the largest steamship company in the world. He flies back and forth to Washington often. Indeed left only last week for Tokyo. He is dignified, handsome, and a great gentleman, and highly respected in his country and ours.

For the record here is his address: 1-1 Marunouch 3, Chiyodo-Ku, Tokyo, Japan, 100. Or, if there were any chance that he might be asked I could see that a telex be sent to him from Washington.

I realize the Embassy presents long lists and apologize if I have overstepped the bounds in suggesting this. I hope your rest at Lake Muskoka was revitalizing!

Sincerely,

Garnett Stackelberg

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 16, 1975

Dear Baroness:

After receiving your letter concerning the State dinner being given for the Emperor of Japan on October 2, I made inquiry as to the possibility of including Mr. Hisashi Matsunaga among the invited guests. Unfortunately, there are so many persons who must necessarily be invited to this dinner that the possibility of including Mr. Matsunaga is quite remote. Nevertheless, I have urged his inclusion if it should prove to be possible.

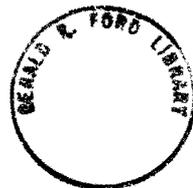
Many thanks for your interest and useful suggestion and I very much enjoyed hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen

Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 25, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: REX SCOUTEN
THROUGH: PHILIP BUCHEN *P.W.B.*
FROM: BARRY ROTH *BR*
SUBJECT: Acquisition of Seized Liquors

There is no problem in your continuing to receive seized liquor from the General Services Administration for use only at official functions. GSA is authorized to transfer to Government agencies such seized "...distilled spirits, wines, or beer for medicinal, scientific, or mechanical purposes, or for any other official purpose for which appropriated funds may be expended by a Government agency...." 26 U.S.C. 5688(a)(2)(A).



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 22, 1975

Memorandum for: Barry Roth

From: Rex Scouten *R*

Subject: Acquisition of Seized Liquors

We have, during the Nixon and Eisenhower Administrations, obtained seized liquors from the General Services Administration. The liquor has been requested and received through normal channels - the local GSA Property Utilization Officer.

The liquors, primarily scotch and bourbon, are used for official entertaining purposes only. None is made available for First Family personal use nor for any social functions for which we are reimbursed - Republican National Committee, etc.

Our supply of seized liquors is quite low and it appears we now have an opportunity to obtain some good scotch whiskey that has just been released. The use of seized liquors does obviously help in our budget. Would you please advise if there is any objection to my obtaining seized liquor for official use at the White House.

Thank you.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 15, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JAMES CONNOR

FROM: PHILIP BUCHEN

P.W.B.

In response to your memorandum of October 13, I suggest Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Lazarus from our office to attend the after-dinner entertainment at the White House for President Sadat of Egypt on October 27.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

October 13, 1975

TO: PHIL BUCHEN

FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR
SECRETARY TO THE CABINET

I'd appreciate it if you would give me the name of an individual from your office whose name you would like to suggest be invited to the after-dinner entertainment at the White House for President Sadat of Egypt in November.* The invitation will include the individual's spouse or escort if appropriate. Your suggestion will then be submitted by my office to the Social Office for preparation of the final list, and the final decision will be made in the Social Office. If you have any questions, please call. I would appreciate receiving your suggestion as soon as possible.

*date is November 27th.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 31, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: RESPECTIVE USERS OF
THE PRESIDENTIAL BOX
AT THE KENNEDY CENTER

FROM: ELIZABETH L. MACBETH

Effective November 1, 1975, a new system will be implemented as to the stocking and billing of the champagne in the refrigerators in the Presidential boxes at the Kennedy Center.

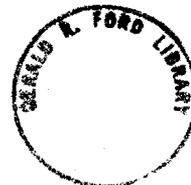
The splits of Great Western will be replaced with 4/5 bottles of California Almaden Blanc de Blanc. The cost per bottle will be \$5.00. To eliminate the long delay of cashing your personal checks, you will no longer pay after each performance but rather will be billed monthly by the White House Staff Mess.

In the instance of having several parties sharing a box on any particular evening, it will be the responsibility of the White House staff members to decide among themselves just how the bill should be paid or in whose name it should be.

Therefore, I cannot stress upon you strongly enough, the importance of returning the list of attendees with the amount of champagne consumed by your party, to me in the West Wing Lobby the day following the performance.

It is a privilege to be able to use the President's Box and we certainly hope that this new system will make it even more enjoyable for you and your guests. We, therefore, ask that you please cooperate in furnishing the necessary information the day following the performance.

Thank you.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

W.H. (Social)

December 8, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: MARIA DOWNS
FROM: SHIRLEY KEY

Mr. Buchen received the attached letter with enclosure from Mr. Bob Lee. Mr. Buchen doesn't really remember the writer.

We are at a loss as to what should or could be done with this. Any suggestions?

Attachment

Conette g Sammy Cahn.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 12, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
THROUGH: PHIL BUCHEN *P.*
FROM: KEN LAZARUS *KL*
SUBJECT: Use of Blair House

In response to your inquiry of December 8th, it is our understanding that the matter has been settled and that John Warner will be able to use Blair House for his function.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 8, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: PHIL BUCHEN

FROM: JACK MARSH *JAM*

Phil, John Warner has suggested our assistance in utilizing the Blair House for a luncheon he proposes to host with approximately twenty-five business leaders in attendance. You should know that the principal purpose of this luncheon is for Warner to solicit funds from the business leaders attending the luncheon. Milt Mitler has been advised by the State Department Protocol Office that the use of Blair House is normally restricted to the President, Vice President and Members of Congress. Presumably any exceptions to these general guidelines must be at the direction of the White House.

Would you be good enough to have one of your people research this matter and advise us why, under the circumstances, we should support Warner's request.

Many thanks.

12/12

*has been settled
and Warner will do*

B/R



DEC 5 1975



MEMORANDUM FOR: Jack Marsh ✓
Ted Marrs

I request your assistance in expediting the following:

~~(1) A replacement for Secretary Mathews on the Bicentennial Advisory Council. About two months ago, I concurred in three recommendations being considered by the White House Personnel Office—all three of whom had credentials with historical organizations and who were residents of the Northeast sector of the United States. This latter qualification I deem essential as there is no one presently on the Council from that area of the United States.~~

(2) A letter or telephone call to the Chief of Protocol in support of my written request for use of Blair House.

A group of leading private sector representatives will be meeting with me for the purpose of discussing funding for various Bicentennial programs which are being planned for the weekend of the 4th of July 1976 here in the Nation's Capital. I will be hosting the luncheon (which will be paid for by one of the private sector participants) for the specific purpose of advising these representatives of the manner in which Bicentennial programming is being funded in the major metropolitan areas across the United States. Without their financial support, a number of excellent Bicentennial activities planned specifically for the Nation's Capital will not take place.

John W. Warner
Administrator



The Honorable Henry E. Catto, Jr.
Chief of Protocol
Department of State
2201 C Street, NW.
Washington, D. C. 20520

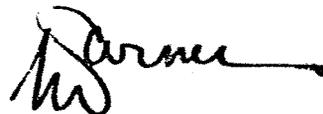
Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Pursuant to Public Law 93-179, I am directed by the Congress to encourage and coordinate Bicentennial activities throughout the United States. At present, there is a serious need for strong support from the private sector for Bicentennial programs specifically for the Nation's Capital over the weekend of July 4, 1976.

As you might expect, the Nation's Capital will be a focal point of worldwide attention on that date and I am therefore soliciting financial and other support from key segments of the private sector--corporate community--and labor organizations. John Marsh, Counsellor to the President, endorses the essentiality of this step as the current status of Bicentennial programming in the Nation's Capital falls below nationwide expectations.

As a means of showing the unequivocal support of the Administration on behalf of the program for the Nation's Capital, I request the use of Blair House on a one-time basis for a luncheon to be held on one of the following dates: December 16, 17 or 18, 1975, or January 6, 7, or 8, 1976. About 25 top business leaders will be in attendance. Although I will be the host for the luncheon, the catering costs will be borne by the local business community.

"In the Spirit of '76"



John W. Warner
Administrator

Friday 2/13/76

10:00 I checked with Boo about the Presidential box on Tuesday night when Rostropovitch conducted his first concert of the symphony season.

On Tuesday, February 3rd, Boo said there were six Presidential personnel in the box -- Jocelyn Esyymontt and Jack Shaw had six seats -- and there were six guests of Rostropovitch in the box.

On Tuesday, February 10th, Boo had given six seats to Ron Nessen. The National Symphony automatically takes six seats on Tuesday nights unless Boo specifically needs them for someone. Helen called from the National Symphony and asked if we expected to use our six tickets because they had a packed house and were looking for tickets for a rather important person. Boo checked with Ron Nessen to be sure the six tickets were sufficient for him and he said he was taking press people and felt it would be better if he only took four guests -- rather than fill the box with press people. So she called Helen and told her and said she could have the six remaining tickets in the President's box. Apparently Helen gave two to the many who urgently needed them and the other four she gave to the orchestra manager. The tickets were all given out. However, the girl at the National Symphony said "We can give the tickets out but can't guarantee, the people will attend." Boo checked and Nessen and his party were positively in the box that night.

From Mr. Garrity's letter, I'm not sure which night he was discussing.

Boo always tries desperately to be sure the box is occupied, but she has known of a good many times when people have received the tickets but have not shown up for the performance.

Eva



February 11, 1976

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

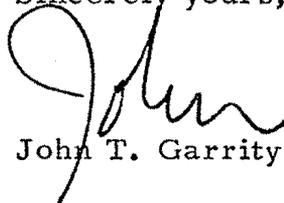
Dear Phil:

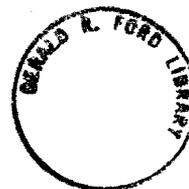
As I mentioned over the telephone, I am sure you are not the person to write to about this subject, but I want someone at the White House to know how disturbed I was that the White House box was unoccupied the other Tuesday night when Rostropovich conducted his first concert of this symphony season. Normally this would not bother me, but for Rostropovich and certain other programs we have a sellout crowd and in fact sell standing room. At times like this we can always sell the box if it is not going to be used.

The National Symphony has to do a better job of filling the hall and supporting itself through performance income. On these occasions when we are able to increase this income, I sure get disturbed if the White House box, or any other box for that matter, is unoccupied.

I am very sorry you will not be able to join us on February 28.

Sincerely yours,


John T. Garrity



Monday 3/15/76

Meeting
3/15/76
9:45 a.m.

3:25 Mrs. Jan Miner will come here at 9:45 a.m.
Wednesday 3/17. We will walk over to the
Theater and Mike Farrell will take us with the
group for the arrival ceremony of the Prime
Minister of Ireland.

785-2000

We will return after the ceremony so she can
talk with you.

Jamie Kabler will try to come up around 11 --
if he can slip away -- and say hello.

Monday 3/15/76

Welcoming Ceremony
3/17/76

8:55 Jamie Kabler said at the luncheon yesterday, Mr. Buchen met Jan Miner (who is starring in The Heiress) and suggested Jamie call me this morning to get a White House pass for her for the welcoming ceremony for the Prime Minister of Ireland at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday 3/17. 632-1276

She will be coming alone -- Jamie will be going down to Williamsburg to bring the Prime Minister here for the ceremony.

Mr. Buchen asked if I would have her come to the office and then take her over for the ceremony.

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Called Jamie to let him know we would have Jan Miner come here and I would take her over and that Mr. Buchen suggested she come back to his office after the ceremony.

Jamie will send over a copy of the itinerary -- but said they arrive on Helo 2 at 10:20. Party gets there at 10:25. President and Mrs. Ford start at 10:28.

He suggested I call Mrs. Miner direct -- at the Guest Quarters Hotel. 785-2000

He said he would be going up with the Prime Minister to the Blue Room for photo opportunity, etc., but would hope to be able to break away around 11 -- and could come over and see Mrs. Miner at that time ----- if we could hold her that long.

I checked with Mike Farrell's office and they suggest she and I go over to the Family Theater a little before 10, where people will be gathering for coffee before the arrival ceremony, and all will be taken out on the grounds by Mike Farrell.

THE WASHINGTON POST Sunday, March 14, 1976

THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER PRESENTS

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TOMORROW at 7:30 • LAST 3 WEEKS!

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\$8.50. EVES. at 7:30. MATS. at 2.

*Stocking
Elementary*

Tuesday 3/23/76

8:10 Concerning Mr. Boozer's letter concerning the Stocking Elementary School group who want to come and sing for the President, a reply had already gone out (see attached).

Ann in Maria Downs' office sent along the attached referral information -- if you would want to suggest to Mr. Boozer they might be able to have the group sing on the ellipse or ???

Or would you like me to call and explore those possibilities with the Pageant of Peace Committee or the White House Visitation Program?



March 12, 1976

PR 14-4
Stocking
Elementary
School

Dear Friends,

Your thoughtful letter to President Ford has been referred to my attention. We are always pleased to learn of outstanding performers and we appreciate the interest of your group in coming to the White House to entertain the President and Mrs. Ford.

I am sure you will understand that with so many talented groups and individuals, and relatively few opportunities to engage entertainment, we are able to invite only a small number of all the well qualified talent recommended to us. It is difficult to determine whether we will be able to take advantage of your suggestion. We will be happy to keep your letter in our active file and contact you should an appropriate occasion for a performance by your group arise.

Thank you for your interest and support. The enclosed autographed photograph comes to you with best wishes. We are also returning your lovely album with best wishes.

Sincerely,

Mrs. John E. Downs
Social Secretary

X
X The Younger Generation Singers, Inc.
Stocking Elementary School
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504



mlb

enc. of auto litho and return their bicentennial photo album

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MAR 12 1976

SOCIAL FILES



January 12, 1976

Dear President Ford,

We would like to introduce you to us, The Younger Generation Singers. We are a group of inner-city kids from Stocking School in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Our group is composed of seventy-six children in grades one through six, four teachers, six parents and our principal.

We sing, dance and play instruments. Our repertoire includes songs about music, kids and our country. One song was written especially for our country this bicentennial year.

The Younger Generation has been performing for six years. We have done concerts in schools, churches, state conventions and civic functions. We are anticipating our fourth time on television next month.

Each of us is responsible for buying our own uniform, attending three hours of practice before and after school and performing in several concerts each month.

This year we decided we would like our goal to be traveling to Washington, D. C. and performing for you, President Ford. Our

uniforms are all red, white and blue, we sing a bicentennial package, but the greatest honor of all would be to present you, our President, with a "Bicentennial Salute."

We are all striving very hard to attain our goal. We are selling candy, popcorn and cupcakes to raise money for the trip. The donations we receive for singing will also help with our expenses.

The only problem we have, President Ford, is that you haven't invited us yet. We would like to come sometime this spring. This is something we are looking forward to and something we will remember all our lives.

Please see if you can use our talents in some way to help celebrate our nation's two-hundredth birthday. We would be thrilled to sing for any kind of meeting, party, convention or just for your personal enjoyment. We are hoping and praying this will be possible and our goal will be attained.

In Highest Regards,
The Younger Generation Singers
Stocking Elementary School
Grand Rapids, Michigan



THE
BUCK
MATTHEWS
SHOW



Friday morning

Phil:

I add my wholehearted and
unsolicited endorsement to the
idea that "The Younger Generation"
from Stocking Elementary school
should be on the President's social
calendar sometime this spring.
He couldn't find a better baby-kissing
situation than to be photographed with
little kids from his home town.
Buck



*Stocking Elm,
School
Spring 1976*

Monday 3/22/76

President's
Scheduling
Spring 1976

11:20 I called the Social Office to see if this request is
being considered; they will check and call me.

(Copy of the letter has been sent to Ann Watwood)

Ext. 2927

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

*Spring
1976*

March 17, 1976

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
Council to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Buchen:

I am sorry to bother you again about an item which may not relate to your official assignment with the President, but your assistance will be greatly appreciated. Some time ago, the Stocking Elementary School Choir of the Grand Rapids Public Schools made a contact with the President's staff and requested an audience with the President sometime this spring. The Stocking Choir is not just another elementary school choir. It is a group of approximately 60 boys and girls encouraged by their parents, teachers and other members of the Grand Rapids community who have perfected their performances to the extent that they have won high musical acclaim locally and throughout the State of Michigan. Recently they appeared on the Buck Matthews Show (local TV 8), and it is my understanding that a video tape of this performance has been sent to the President's Secretary for his perusal.

The group has already earned about \$4,000 toward the expenses of their trip and have plans for the other \$1,000 needed in order to make the dream trip a reality. My request to you is to determine if there is any thought being given by the President to his giving an audience to this group of boys and girls sometime later this spring. I know that their calendar is flexible and their visit could accommodate the President at his convenience.

If you could provide me any information, it will be greatly appreciated. Obviously these 60 boys and girls are eagerly awaiting word on the possible trip of a life time. Thanks for your consideration. My best personal regards to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Raymond Boozer

Raymond Boozer
Director of Elementary Schools

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OF AGE OR OVER WHO RESIDE WITH YOU

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR MARIA DOWNS

FROM: EVA DAUGHTREY *Eva*

Mrs. Buchen asked me to send you a copy of Mrs. Mildred Vogt's letter concerning the possibility of Mrs. Edwin McCarmick playing at the White House.

Mrs. Buchen is aware of the many requests you get but wanted to let Mrs. Vogt know that the information had been passed to your office for consideration.

Thanks very much.



March 27

2805 BONNELL ROAD
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Dear Bunny - If you think
the following suggestion of
mine, is out of order, don't
hesitate to tell me.

Suzanne Feldman was a
struggling piano student
when she came to my attention.
With the help of several
individuals plus the Foster
Foundation, she went to N.Y.
and was accepted at Juilliard.
It has been a long hard
road to travel but she had

the talent and determination to keep going. Fortunately she married a Man who in character and finances her. She has begun to receive nice reviews from appearances. Last week she played the Greek over Concerto with the Utica Symphony. Her romance is a Cinderella story which is too long and involved to relate in a letter.

Could Suzanne ever appear at the White House when they need a Musical afternoon or evening? I had no idea who to contact there so I have to impose on our friendship to reach the right source. Suzanne is next.

Mrs Edwin Mc Carver
231 Clinton Ave

Dutch Ferry, N.Y. 10512

Tel: 914-693-6687

It would be a "feather in her cap"



to appear at the White
House and coming from
A. R. Night have some appeal.
I believe that she has dropped
the "Weldman" and appears as
Eugene Mc Carmick. Her
parents live in Wyomissing, Pa.

Spring has come and gone!
It's snowing today. I'm off
to Kent for our weekly Bridge
game with Vally, Eleanor and
Irene. affectionate regards
to Phil.

Love
Michele



Monday 5/17/76

12:30 Bou said a call came into Maria Downs' office from Lillian Gaberga who wanted to know who was using the President's Box tomorrow night (Tuesday 5/18) for the Music Festival -- apparently Barbara Gordon, Chairman of the Committee for Latin America week wanted to know but didn't know anyone in the White House to call).

Maria's office transferred her to Nicholson's office, who in turn transferred her to Bou. Maria's office called Bou to tell her that Miss Gaberga was very pushy and quite a name dropper; mentioned that she could check with Bunny Buchen.

Bou only told her that the box would be occupied. It was rather strange because the tickets for tomorrow night all are free.

Bou tells me that Ambassador Orfila requested the box and the Hartmanns and Friedersdorfs will be with them. Rogers' invited but they haven't heard whether they are coming. Buchens invited but said they couldn't attend.



Green Book

May 19, 1976

To: Katie

From: Eva

We have returned the
Questionnaire from the
"Green Suede Book".

However, per our
past arrangements, I am
sending you the reservation
card for the 1977 edition.
We will need one for the
office and one for Mrs. Buchen
at home if that can be arranged.
Thanks.



Date.....

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20007

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 21, 1976

M.A. Downs

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

After receiving your letter of May 14 concerning Mr. D. Emilio Botin, I spoke with Mrs. Maria Downs of the Social Office here at the White House. I was assured that she would do everything possible to honor your request to have Mr. Botin included in the State dinner to be given in honor of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia.

Bunny and I are eagerly looking forward to their visit and are delighted to join you for dinner at the Embassy on June 3.

With very best wishes.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

The Honorable Jaime Alba
Ambassador
Embassy of Spain
2700 15th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20009



bcc: MARIA Downs



Washington, D. C., May 14, 1976

THE AMBASSADOR OF SPAIN
WASHINGTON, D. C.
PERSONAL

Mr. Philip Buchen
Counselor to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500



Dear Philip,

With reference to the events being given at the White House in honor of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, I wish to ask two favors of the President and the First Lady and you. In the first case the request is in relation to the State Banquet, and the other is in regard to the State Reception.

On June 2nd a Spanish banker of the highest reputation and eminence will be in Washington: Sr. D. Emilio Botin Sanz de Sautola, Chairman of the Banco de Santander, (address: c/o Luis Benitez de Lugo, Seagram Building, 375 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10022). It is most significant that Mr. Botin is the only banker in Spain who owns 50% of the stocks of the only bank which has half of its holdings in American capital, namely the Bank of America. In addition, he is proprietor of approximately 50% of the only American national bank, The National Bank of Puerto Rico, which within the frame of the Federal Reserve System is authorized to open branches anywhere in the United States. There is no other bank with Spanish capital that enjoys such privileged condition.

It is very difficult for us to invite Mr. Botin to the King's "return dinner" at the Embassy on June 3 because the other Big Five--which do not have stocks of American ownership--would also expect to be invited. Furthermore, there is the problem of space since the table at the Embassy can accommodate only the King's entourage and the most important figures in the Administration and Congress.



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Mr. Philip Buchen

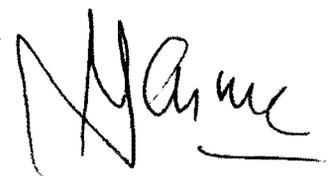
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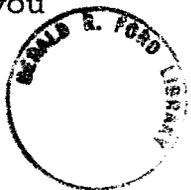
Mr. Botin is an old and good friend of the United States, for as I have mentioned he has achieved participation in the national bank in Spain and in the national bank in the U.S. I would, therefore, appreciate it if you could ask the President and Mrs. Ford if it is possible to extend Mr. Botin and his wife, Anita, an invitation to the State Banquet in honor of Their Majesties. Aside from the aforementioned, Mr. and Mrs. Botin are personal friends.

Ana Maria, my wife, has asked me to inquire whether it might be possible to invite to the Reception at the White House, her cousin, Mr. Salvador de Hoyos (who resides at 480 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10022) and our daughter Miss Macarena Alba, who has lived in the U.S. for many years and is presently residing with us, and who would be delighted to have the opportunity to see the White House at its best.

I hope you will forgive my asking you these favors, and I want to thank you for all of the assistance that you have already rendered to me, as well as for that which you might be able to do in regard to the special cases that are mentioned herein.

With the assurance of my warmest regards, I remain,

Warmly,

Jaime Alba



P.S. I have sent a copy of this letter to Mr. Dennis Clift and Ms. Maria Downs, for their information and consultation with you. If it is of help, you can send us the above invitations and we shall be happy to forward them on your behalf.

Tuesday, June 22, 1976

The WH Social Office called re the request to have Mr. Rollins attend a WH affair.

He is:

Mr. John W. Rollins, Sr.
Walnut Green
Owl Nest Road
Greenville, Delaware 19806

Tele: 302-658-4543



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 10, 1976

*Will
Seymour*

MEMORANDUM FOR: MARIA DOWNS

FROM: PHILIP BUCHEN *P.*

Mr. Leonard Marks has advised me that two of the President's very good friends and ardent supporters would be delighted to be included among the guests at a White House event. They are:

Mr. John D. MacArthur
Colonades Hotel
Riviera, Florida

Mr. John Rollins
Wilmington, Delaware

Mr. Marks also talked to the President about it at the White House Correspondents' Dinner.

I think it would be appropriate for you to propose their names to the President for inclusion on a guest list at some appropriate event.



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