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SENIOR STAFF MEETING w/PRESIDENT
8:00 a.m.
Tuesday, February 3, 1976

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Jim,
This is the
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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 29, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: GEORGE HUMPHRIES

FROM: SANDRA WISNIEWSKI *Stus*

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As I mentioned to you on the telephone last week, we will be coordinating with the campaign committee "candidate" related article requests, and we will from time to time need input in the area of the environment. Probably very few of these would be answered under the President's by-line, but we do consider these an important function and try to provide input to as many as possible.

Attached are several questions which I hope you can help me with. Unfortunately, the first page needs to be completed by Monday, February 2, and the second page by Tuesday, February 3. I apologize for the short turn around, but the SOTU and budget events have put most everybody behind, I think. I will be keeping your responses on hand so that the next time we have a similar request we can pull them out.

Thanks very much for your help with these and also the position papers which you sent so quickly last week.

Attachments



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Feb. 2

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES
FROM EDITORS OF LAND USE PLANNING REPORTS

Humphries

1. Do you favor a national land use planning policy? Or would you prefer having the state, regional, or local government being primarily responsible? If you favor a national land use policy, would it provide for the coordination of the present system of selective control by various governmental agencies such as EPA, HUD, and the Department of Interior, or do you favor a completely different approach?

FEA

2. Do you support federal strip mining legislation, such as S-391, calling for substantial efforts at reclamation and minimization of environmental degradation?

Humphries

3. Do you think industry should be strictly regulated as a means of controlling the amount of pollution entering the environment?

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4. Do you agree with the principle of limiting growth, on a local/regional/state or national level?

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5. To what extent do you believe the government (federal/state/local) is justified in "taking" private land for preservation or environmental purposes?

FEA

6. What level of government should have final word over the siting of energy facilities?

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7. If elected, what legislation, if any, will you propose to protect the environment, to increase domestic energy sources, and to assist state and local governments in coping with the problems of growth and the maintenance of the quality of life?



Humphries
Feb. 3

Questions on 1976 issues:

1. What are the critical economic issues confronting the U.S. today (in order of importance)?
2. What are your specific proposals for:
 - a) Lowering unemployment?
 - b) Reforming taxes?
 - c) Improving U.S. competitiveness in world markets?
- ✓ 3. What is your position on "detente" with the U.S.S.R. and the People's Republic of China?
- ✓ 4. How would you characterize our military establishment: is it wasteful in terms of money, personnel, and materiel; efficient; or what?
5. People frequently talk about "trade-offs" between environmental protection and economic growth. Do you favor any change in environmental regulations to spur improved economic growth? What specifically would you propose--if anything--to simplify such regulations and coordinate the Federal and state environmental programs while still conserving land, water, and air quality?
6. What role should the government play in boosting productivity in the U.S.? Are commissions, councils, centers, or sloganeering of any value?
- ✓ 7. Do consumers need additional Federal protection? What kind, if any, and by whom?
8. During recent months, we've heard much about deregulation of individuals and businesses by Federal and state bureaucracy. However, many of the proposals sound more like re-regulation. What's your stand on the regulatory question? If you're for deregulation, what's your plan?
9. The 1970 Occupational Safety & Health law has drawn heavy criticism. Some criticize the statute; others criticize its administration. Do you feel any changes are in order? What are they?
- ✓ 10. Many Americans are turned off by politics and politicians. What qualities do you have that set you apart from other candidates and will help you rebuild faith in our political process? What best characterizes your leadership potential?



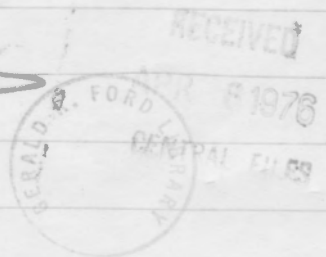
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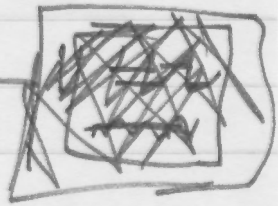
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