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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 3, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

GENERAL ALEXANDÉR HAIG

FROM:

DAVID J. WIMER

SUBJECT:

National Labor Relations Board

As we near a recommendation for the National Labor Relations Board, it becomes apparent that Secretary of Labor Brennan and Under Secretary Schubert are most anxious to interview and pass judgment on final candidates. Our experience is that it is not a good idea for Cabinet agency personnel to become involved in any aspect of Presidential Appointee review related to regulatory agencies. The Cabinet officers end up with "their" candidates. This forces a win or lose proposition on the Cabinet member. The eventual nominee is then either "their man" or "not their man". Obviously, this leads to a negative affect in working relations—both in terms of individuals and Cabinet agency vis-a-vis related regulatory agency.

Based on this experience I recommend against the senior Labor Department officials interviewing candidates for the NLRB. We would like your concurrence before finalizing our recommendation.

CONCURRENCE:

Agree

Disagree

Dept. Jarlow should have an input.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 19, 1974

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DAVID J. WIMER

FROM:

JERRY H.

SUBJECT:

National Labor Relations Board

Your memorandum to the President of September 3 on the above subject has been reviewed and the following notation was made:

-- I want to discuss this further.

Dept. of Labor should have an input.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

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cc: Al Haig