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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 17, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DICK CHENEY

FROM:

RON NESSEN RHA

SUBJECT: Ceremonies in East Room on Monday, May 19

On Monday, as you know, the President will announce the Refugee Advisory Committee in the East Room ceremony.

I suggest that as part of the ceremony he sign the Refugee Aid appropriation now approved by Congress.

_____Approve

I also suggest that he invite the photographer Dick Swanson, who is married to a Vietnamese, and the 12 members of his wife's family who fled here as refugees in the last days of Saigon. The President knows Dick Swanson and he and his wife are friends of me and Kennerly.

By having the Swansons and their Vietnamese refugee relatives at the ceremony, it would personalize the refugee problem while avoiding what would appear to be a public relations gimmick of bringing refugees to Washington from the camps.

Invite the Swansons and their relatives

Do not invite them