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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

June 1, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

JAMES T. LYNN

FROM:

JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*

SUBJECT:

1975 Pan American Games  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

The President reviewed your memorandum of May 24 on the above subject and approved the following option:

Option 1.- Prepare legislation authorizing \$6 million for the construction of new permanent sports facilities using existing programs and budgets to the maximum extent possible.

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 31, 1976

MR PRESIDENT:

1979 Pan American Games  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

The attached memorandum prepared by Jim Lynn was staffed and the following recommendations were made:

Option 1: Prepare legislation authorizing \$6 million for the construction of new permanent sports facilities using existing programs and budgets to the maximum extent possible.

Recommended by OMB, Messrs. Marsh, Cannon, Hartmann, Seidman and Friedersdorf.

Option 2: Prepare legislation authorizing \$12 million for the construction of new permanent sports facilities and the renovation of existing sports facilities.

Recommended by NSC. Additional comments offered by them to support their recommendation at TAB A.

Phil Buchen had no objection to the OMB recommendation but did not express an opinion.

Jim Connor



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAY 24 1976

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: JAMES L. LYNN  
SUBJECT: 1979 Pan American Games, San Juan,  
Puerto Rico

The Problem

What Federal assistance, if any, should be provided for the Eighth Pan American Games to be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico in 1979?

Background

Two bills have been initiated in the Congress (H.R. 13179 and S.3303) which authorize the Department of State to provide a \$12M grant for general support of the 1979 Pan American games to be held in San Juan. The bills will be considered shortly by a Conference Committee concerned with the 1977 State Department appropriation authorization. Thus, there is a need for a prompt Administration position on appropriate Federal support for the Games.

The Games' Organizing Committee believes \$31 million are needed to "properly finance the Games." Of this amount \$19 million is expected to come from non-Federal sources: \$13 million from Commonwealth and municipal sources, \$3 million from private sources, and \$3 million from receipts and broadcast rights.

Options:

1. Limit Federal assistance to the construction of new permanent sports facilities in the same manner you proposed for Lake Placid -- under the leadership of the Secretary of Commerce and using existing authorities and budgets to the maximum extent possible.

This option would limit the Federal obligation to the financing of construction of two

new facilities (a swimming complex and bicycle track) at an anticipated cost of about \$6 million. This amount is only half the amount requested by the Puerto Rican sponsors, and Congressional sponsors, such as Wayne Hays, would attempt to increase the level of U.S. assistance.

2. Provide \$12 million for the construction of new permanent sports facilities as in Option #1 plus the renovation of existing sports facilities -- again using a mechanism under the leadership of Commerce similar to that being proposed for Lake Placid.

This option would expand on the principle of your Lake Placid decision by authorizing Federal aid to renovate existing sports facilities as well as to construct new facilities. None of the funds could be used for operating costs, however. This approach would provide the Puerto Rican sponsors with the amount they are seeking but limit its use. It would be more acceptable to Congressional sponsors than Option #1, but it would be somewhat inconsistent with your Lake Placid decision.

3. Support the proposals currently before Congress.

This option would provide the sponsors with an unearmarked \$12 million subsidy in the amount they are seeking. However, it sets a precedent for general Federal support for future international games contrary to the approach you determined for the Lake Placid games. The pending bills also have the disadvantage of lodging Federal responsibility in the State Department rather than the Commerce Department, which has more experience with Federal grants to State and local governments.

#### Recommendation:

I recommend Option #1. It is consistent with your Lake Placid decision and limits the Federal commitment to about \$6 million.

DECISIONMR4

Option #1. OMB recommendation. Prepare legislation authorizing \$6 million for the construction of new permanent sports facilities using existing programs and budgets to the maximum extent possible.

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\_\_\_\_\_ Option #3. Support the legislation currently before Congress.




MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

3046

May 27, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CONNOR

FROM: Jeanne W. Davis 

SUBJECT: OMB Memo on 1979 Pan American Games

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Option 2 does not appear to be inconsistent with the Lake Placid decision, though it does extend it slightly. We would, therefore, support Option 2 and suggest that the last phrase in paragraph 2. on page 2 be modified to read "but it would somewhat extend your Lake Placid decision."



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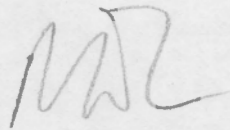
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TO: BOB LINDER  
FROM: TRUDY FRY

The attached is sent to you for  
review before it is forwarded to the  
President.

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## THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.:

Date: May 24, 1976

Time:

FOR ACTION: ☒ Jack Marsh  
☒ Brent Scowcroft  
☒ Phil Buchen  
☒ James Cannon  
☒ Bob Hartmann

~~ack (for information):~~

☒ Bill Seidman  
☒ Max Friedersdorf

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Wednesday, May 26

Time:

SUBJECT:

Lynn memo (5/24) re: 1979 Pan American Games,  
 San Juan, Puerto Rico

## ACTION REQUESTED:

☐ For Necessary Action☒ For Your Recommendations☐ Prepare Agenda and Brief☐ Draft Reply☒ For Your Comments☐ Draft Remarks

## REMARKS:

Friedersdorf - concur OMB recommendation  
 Marsh - Option #1  
 Buchen (Schmullt) no objection  
 Seidman - Option #1  
 Cannon - Option #1  
 Scowcroft - see comments for Option 2 -  
 Hartmann - Option #1

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 delay in submitting the required material, please  
 telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

Jim Connor  
 For the President



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 25, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CONNOR

FROM: MAX FRIEDERSDORF *m.b.*

SUBJECT: Lynn memo 5/24 re: 1979 Pan American Games  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

The Office of Legislative Affairs concurs with Option 1.

Date: May 24, 1976

Time:

FOR ACTION: Jack Marsh  
Brent Scowcroft  
Phil Buchen  
James Cannon  
Bob Hartmann

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5/24 - 11:00 am

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## REMARKS:

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## REMARKS:

*Decision - Does it allow general to happen?*

*How will it be received in Puerto Rico?*

*What chance do we have of working*

*with Glynis in a way other than 27*

*5/26/76*  
*We recommend*  
*option 1*



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MAY 24 1976

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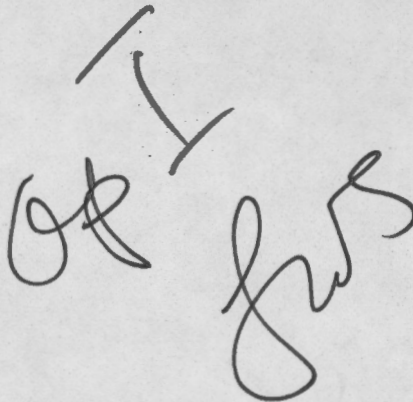
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REMARKS:

*No objection*

*Edmunds 5/25/76*

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