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WHITE HOUSE INCOMING MAIL REPORT FOR:

FEBRUARY 8, 1975 - FEBRUARY 21, 1975

BREAKDOWN OF INCOMING MAIL	TOTALS
TOTAL PRESIDENTIAL RECEIVED IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD	48,556 *
PRESIDENTIAL UNPROCESSED CARRIED FORWARD	6,421
PRESIDENTIAL PROCESSED IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD	54,977
PRESIDENTIAL UNPROCESSED THIS PERIOD	0
TOTAL STAFF AND EXECUTIVE OFFICE MAIL	31,433
INCOMING MAIL TO FIRST LADY'S OFFICE	4,558
COMBINED TOTAL FOR THIS REPORTING PERIOD	84,547
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1974 (2-22-74)	66,303
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1973 (2-23-73)	153,577
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1972 (2-22-72)	82,069
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1971 (2-23-71)	77,011

* INCLUDES 2,171 TELEGRAMS AND 936 POSTCARDS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: FEBRUARY 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
GENERAL SUPPORT		967
PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC PROGRAMS	PRO CON COMMENT	340 846 3,537
PRESIDENT'S ENERGY PROGRAM	PRO CON COMMENT	1,607 1,666 1,519
PRESIDENT'S TRIPS TO EXPLAIN ECONOMY/ENERGY PROGRAM	PRO CON COMMENT	29 132 17
PRESIDENT'S BUDGET/ECONOMIC MESSAGES FEBRUARY 3-4, 1975	PRO CON COMMENT	27 334 98
NOMINATION OF CARLA HILLS AS SECRETARY OF HUD	PRO CON COMMENT	3 327 0
PROJECT WIN (WHIP INFLATION NOW)		284(a)
REQUESTS FOR AUTOGRAPHS/PHOTOGRAPHS		495
CRITICAL COMMENTS		545

(a) INCLUDES 203 FORM LETTERS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: FEBRUARY 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
ABORTION PRO CON COMMENT		13 426(a) 0
REQUESTS FOR JOBS/ OFFERS OF SERVICES/ ENDORSEMENTS		516
CURRENT LEGISLATION		171
REQUESTS FOR BIRTHDAY/ ANNIVERSARY MESSAGES		1,588
NEW AND REGULAR SECRET SERVICE CASES		279
CHILDREN'S MAIL		5,821
CON: CUTTING MILITARY COMMISSARY PRIVILEGES		1,854
PRO: EMERGENCY FOOD FOR DEVELOPING NATIONS	STATE	1,169(b)
RELEASE MIAs (FORMS)	STATE	949

(a) INCLUDES 111 FORM LETTERS

(b) INCLUDES 264 FORM LETTERS AND 279 PETITIONS



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ENDING: FEBRUARY 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
PRO: AID TO SOVIET JEWS	STATE NSC	1,146
AID TO ISRAEL PRO CON COMMENT	STATE	254 217(a) 0
KISSINGER'S STATEMENT RE MILITARY INTERVENTION IN MIDDLE EAST PRO CON COMMENT	STATE	5 154 4
AID TO VIETNAM PRO CON COMMENT	STATE	80 1,670 28
AID TO TURKEY PRO CON COMMENT	STATE	18 245 0
CON: TRAINING OF SAUDI ARABIAN TROOPS (BY VINNELL CORP. UNDER DEFENSE CONTRACT)	STATE	187
BARGAIN WITH OPEC TO LOWER OIL PRICES (ELIOT JANEWAY INTERVIEW "TOMORROW" SHOW 2/13/75)	STATE	2,876
CON: CUT IN FOOD STAMPS	AGRICULTURE	1,128(b)
CON: MONITORING OF AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS	AGRICULTURE	533

(a) INCLUDES 153 FORM LETTERS

(b) INCLUDES 406 FORM LETTERS AND 168 PETITIONS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: FEBRUARY 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
RETAIN EXECUTIVE ORDER BANNING POISON FOR PREDATOR CONTROL	INTERIOR	2,233
MISCELLANEOUS PRESIDENTIAL NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE BREAKDOWN		18,640
TOTAL PRESIDENTIAL MAIL PROCESSED THIS PERIOD		54,977



Political	34
Stop inflating car cost	110 Forms
Suggestions re China trip	58 Forms
Presidents NBC interview	Pro 23
John Chancellor/Tom Brokaw	Con 4
1/23/75	Cmt 3



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PROJECT WIN (WHIP INFLATION NOW)		WW office	284(a)
REQUESTS FOR AUTOGRAPHS/ PHOTOGRAPHS		Ann Kamstra	495
CRITICAL COMMENTS			545

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ENDING: FEBRUARY 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
ABORTION PRO CON COMMENT	<i>Anne Higgins</i>	13 426(a) 0
REQUESTS FOR JOBS/ OFFERS OF SERVICES/ ENDORSEMENTS	<i>Bill Walker</i>	516
CURRENT LEGISLATION	<i>John Ratchford</i>	171
REQUESTS FOR BIRTHDAY/ ANNIVERSARY MESSAGES	<i>Margaret Brock</i>	1,588
NEW AND REGULAR SECRET SERVICE CASES	<i>Mary Simon</i>	279
CHILDREN'S MAIL	<i>Agnie Larnis</i>	5,821
CON: CUTTING MILITARY COMMISSARY PRIVILEGES	<i>VIP- Rlc Military Aide</i>	1,854
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Summary of telegrams received for the bi-weekly period ending 7 March 1975

John P. Dreylinger
Telegraph Office

Addressees:	No.
The President	815
Secretariat	313
First Lady	48
The President and First Lady	2
Miss Susan Ford	1
Steve Ford	1
Grand Total:	1,180

Breakdown, by subjects, of 815 telegrams received by the President follows:



SUBJECT	NO.	SUBJECT	NO.
Requests for photos, messages appointments, Invitations and requests.	11	DEATH OF JOHN EGAN (COMM)	2
Personal Problems and requests for aid.	14	SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM (COMM)	30
Endorsements and comments on Appointments.	3	NASHPITZ/TSITLONEK	5
Critical Comments.	13	PRESS CONF. 3/6/75 (COMM)	4
Support.	11	PRESS CONF. 3/6/75 (PRO)	6
Foreign.	3	PRESS CONF. 3/6/75 (CON)	5
Protests, complaints and requests for investigations (miscellaneous)	8	AID FOR INDO-CHINA PRESS CONF. 3/6/75 (PRO)	11
P.I.D.	10	AID FOR INDO-CHINA PRESS CONF. 3/6/75 (CON)	145
Labor strikes, etc. (misc.)		KENNEDY ASSASINATION	2
Comments on Civil Rights.			
Comments on Foreign Policy.	27		
Miscellaneous expressions of concern about the economy.	36		
Comments on Energy Policies	40		
Miscellaneous.	271		
ERA ISSUES (COMM)	4		
APPOINTMENT OF MRS. HILLS (CON)	15		
SUPPORT FOR INDO-CHINA (COMM)	126		
AERIAL KILL OF ALASKAN WOLVES (CON)	13	TELEGRAMS SENT TO SOMEONE OTHER THAN MRS. RETA SHAY	50



Correspondence Section Work Report for Two Week Period Ending: 3/7/75

MAIL ON HAND AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD: 35,862

Disposition of mail as follows:

For the President's signature:			Total:	<u>1,410</u>
	Children	Adult	No. Lines:	<u>21,122</u>
Manual	<u>31</u>	<u>145</u>		
Auto.	<u>334</u>	<u>900</u>		
No. Lines	<u>4,799</u>	<u>16,323</u>		
For the President's signature (Staff Offices)				<u>92</u>
For the President's signature (Offset)				<u>0</u>

For Mr. Elliott's signature:		No. Lines	
Automatically-typed letters:	<u>6,166</u>	<u>109,745</u>	<u>75 %</u>
Manually-typed letters: (Drafts and Series)	<u>2,035</u>	<u>26,574</u>	<u>25 %</u>
No. Lines:	<u>136,319</u>	Total:	<u>8,201</u>

Referral Forms:		<u>5</u>
Envelopes and labels for mailing cards, booklets, photos, etc.		<u>6,565</u>

Total disposition of mail: 16,273

MAIL ON HAND AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD:

In Analysis and Reply Unit:	Adult:	<u>20,418</u>
	Children:	<u>16,276</u>

In Stenographic and Typing Unit:		
For letter reply:		
Presidentials		<u>0</u>
Non-Presidentials		<u>74</u>
For booklet/card/offset/photo reply (labels and envelopes to be typed)		<u>1,544</u>

In Review Unit:		<u>320</u>
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Total mail on hand at end of reporting period: 38,632

WORK DONE FOR WHITE HOUSE STAFF OFFICES:

Manhours in other offices:	<u>698.5</u>
Manhours in Correspondence Section:	<u>928.5</u>

Of the preceding total manhours worked in Correspondence Section, the following manhours were spent on:

Rumsfeld mail (drafting, manual and robo typing, reviewing)	<u>116.5</u>
Rustand invitations (drafting, manual and robo typing, reviewing)	<u>170</u>
Theis messages (drafting, manual and robo typing, reviewing)	<u>31.5</u>

Total manhours of work done for staff offices: 1,627



PREPARED: MARCH 7, 1975

WHITE HOUSE INCOMING MAIL REPORT FOR:

FEBRUARY 22, 1975 - MARCH 7, 1975

BREAKDOWN OF INCOMING MAIL	TOTALS
TOTAL PRESIDENTIAL RECEIVED IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD	39,208 *
PRESIDENTIAL UNPROCESSED CARRIED FORWARD	0
PRESIDENTIAL PROCESSED IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD	39,208
PRESIDENTIAL UNPROCESSED THIS PERIOD	0
TOTAL STAFF AND EXECUTIVE OFFICE MAIL	30,366
INCOMING MAIL TO FIRST LADY'S OFFICE	9,471
COMBINED TOTAL FOR THIS REPORTING PERIOD	79,045
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1974 (3-8-74)	71,676
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1973 (3-9-73)	118,134
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1972 (3-7-72)	95,889
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1971 (3-9-71)	85,426

* INCLUDES 815 TELEGRAMS AND 1,535 POSTCARDS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 7, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
GENERAL SUPPORT		632
PRESIDENT'S PRESS CONFERENCE (AID TO CAMBODIA) 3/6/75	PRO CON COMMENT	16 193 5
PRESIDENT'S PRESS CONFERENCE 2/26/75 (ETHNIC DISCRIMINATION IN BUSINESS)	PRO CON COMMENT	199 14 15
PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC PROGRAMS	PRO CON COMMENT	109 276 1,814
PRESIDENT'S ENERGY PROGRAM	PRO CON COMMENT	209 745 818
PRESIDENT'S BUDGET/ ECONOMIC MESSAGES FEBRUARY 3-4, 1975	PRO CON COMMENT	34 119 168
RE: HUNGER IN AMERICA		420
AMNESTY FOR DRAFT EVADERS/DESERTERS	PRO CON COMMENT	6 251 1
NOMINATION OF CARLA HILLS AS SECRETARY OF HUD	PRO CON COMMENT	8 227 0



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 7, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
REQUESTS FOR AUTOGRAPHS/ PHOTOGRAPHS		395
CRITICAL COMMENTS		354
ABORTION	PRO CON COMMENT	10 261 0
REQUESTS FOR JOBS/ OFFERS OF SERVICES/ ENDORSEMENTS		496
CURRENT LEGISLATION		317
REQUESTS FOR BIRTHDAY/ ANNIVERSARY MESSAGES		1,469
NEW AND REGULAR SECRET SERVICE CASES		290
CHILDREN'S MAIL		6,271
CON: CUTTING MILITARY COMMISSARY PRIVILEGES		1,012



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 7, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
PRO: EMERGENCY FOOD FOR DEVELOPING NATIONS	STATE	699(a)
RELEASE MIAs (FORMS)	STATE	754
PRO: AID TO SOVIET JEWS	STATE NSC	1,743(b)
AID TO ISRAEL	STATE	249 71 0
AID TO VIETNAM (PRIOR TO 3/6/75 PRESS CONFERENCE)	STATE	95 1,161 39
CON: TRAINING OF SAUDI ARABIAN TROOPS (BY VINNELL CORP. UNDER DEFENSE CONTRACT)	STATE	130
BARGAIN WITH OPEC TO LOWER OIL PRICES (ELIOT JANEWAY INTERVIEW "TOMORROW" SHOW 2/13/75)	STATE	227
CON: MONITORING OF AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS	AGRICULTURE	391
RETAIN EXECUTIVE ORDER BANNING POISON FOR PREDATOR CONTROL	INTERIOR	1,837

(a) INCLUDES 204 FORM LETTERS

(b) INCLUDES 622 FORM LETTERS AND 82 PETITIONS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 7, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
RETAIN GREEN THUMB PROGRAM	LABOR	198
ENFORCE MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT OF 1972	COMMERCE	428
CON: GUN AND AMMUNITION CONTROL	TREASURY AND CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION	288
MISCELLANEOUS PRESIDENTIAL NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE BREAKDOWN		13,744
TOTAL PRESIDENTIAL MAIL PROCESSED THIS PERIOD		39,208



MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROLAND L. ELLIOTT:

Following is a report of Presidential signature mail dispatched and Referral Mail to the Departments for the two weeks ending MARCH 7, 1975.

<u>PRESIDENTIAL SIGNATURE MAIL:</u>	<u>LETTERS</u>	<u>TELEGRAMS</u>		
<u>TOTAL</u>	1,777	1,728	49	
<u>CUMULATED</u>	12,409	12,229	180	
<u>PRESIDENTIAL AUTOGRAPHS:</u>	<u>PHOTOGRAPHS</u>	<u>CARDS</u>	<u>MISCEL. ITEMS</u>	<u>BOOKS, COVERS, ETC.</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	484	367	16	101
<u>CUMULATED</u>	1,729	1,339	69	321
<u>MAIL REFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENTS:</u>				
<u>TOTAL</u>	20,238	19,846	392	
<u>CUMULATED</u>	126,683	123,145	3,538	

William F. Matthews
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 Chief of Files



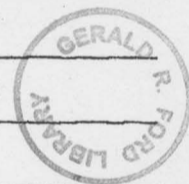


Following is a report of the volume of mail going out to each of the Departments and Agencies for the two weeks ending March 7, 1975.

DEPARTMENTS	LETTERS	TELEGRAMS	TOTAL	CUMULATIVE
ACTION	24		24	60
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE U. S. COURTS				2
AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	4		4	21
AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS				3
AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION	56		56	246
APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION				1
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL	7		7	53
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION				16
CABINET COMM. ON OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPANISH SPEAKING PEOPLE	2		2	6
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY	20		20	777
CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD	18	1	19	121
CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION				14
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION	66		66	313
COMMISSIONERS OF D. C.	7		7	53
COST OF LIVING COUNCIL				3
COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS	8		8	65
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	1,151	50	1,201	12,189
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	418	2	420	1,122
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE				
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY				
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY				
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE				
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE	1,714	25	1,739	9,229
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	214	7	221	920
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR	2,455	26	2,481	6,353
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	722	10	732	4,176
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	626	2	628	2,532
DEPARTMENT OF STATE	7,049	222	7,271	41,969
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	399	20	419	3,807
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY	594	8	602	7,998
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY	154		154	1,166
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL	21		21	46
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION	8		8	95
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION	76	2	78	620

SEE: MILITARY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

DEPARTMENTS	LETTERS	TELEGRAMS	TOTAL	CUMULATIVE
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION				7
FEDERAL ENERGY OFFICE	711	4	715	6,973
FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK BOARD	1		1	34
FEDERAL MEDIATION & CONCILIATION SERVICE				
FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION	1		1	90
FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM (BOARD OF GOVERNORS)		1	1	5
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION	14		14	114
GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE				10
GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	48	2	50	148
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE	29		29	133
INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMM.	14		14	161
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS				13
MILITARY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT	1,827		1,827	9,852
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION	18		18	97
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE				8
NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS	10		10	47
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD	8		8	20
NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD				2
NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION				3
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION				39
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL	6	1	7	1,284
OFFICE OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS	18		18	60
OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUN. AND BUDGET	17		17	161
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET	174	3	177	2,003
PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON WHITE HOUSE FELLOWSHIPS	8		8	20
PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAP.	8		8	17
PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS				
PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS & SPORTS	39		39	168
RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD	4		4	62
REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMM.				14
SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION	2		2	20
SMALL BUSINESS ADMIN.	42		42	318
SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION	3		3	18
SPECIAL ACTION OFFICE FOR DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION	1		1	7
SPECIAL TRADE NEGOTIATOR				4
TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY	2		2	11



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



March 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM

TO: MIKE DUVAL

FROM: PATRICIA A. STRUNK *gld*

VIA: ROLAND L. ELLIOTT

SUBJECT: Comment calls on the Rock Island Railroad

Wednesday and Thursday of this week brought a concerted effort (350 calls) by some of the 10,500 employees of the Rock Island Railroad to let the President know the line would go bankrupt if they do not receive a loan. The US Railroad Administration has turned down the Rock Island's request for financial assistance--\$30,000,000. The railroad serves 13 Midwest states. Noted as important reasons to reconsider the loan were that : the line serviced 1700 grain elevators and other industry freight, many small communities depended upon the line for a shuttle service and it would as well affect Chicago commuters.

The bulk of the calls came from the Rock Island's employees. Some of their comments were: 1) The USRA loans do provide for just such a loan as the Rock Island has requested. 2) Unemployment is high enough in the US without adding 10,500 more to the rolls. 3) The employees took a 10% pay cut which could even serve as collateral for repayment of the loan, which many felt would most certainly be repaid. Some noted though that other railroads have not needed collateral for a loan. 4) Penn Central and other rail services along with airlines and other modes of transportation are subsidized by the US government, so why discriminate against the Rock Island? 5) If the US can support foreign countries with generous aid grants, it must surely take care of its own people's needs first. (Cambodia and Vietnam were mentioned in particular.) 6) If the railroad goes bankrupt, it will direly affect the communities it serves by reducing the community tax revenues and burden the already serious economic problems of the area.

A very few individuals noted they would rather merge with another railroad than go under. However, those who mentioned a possible merger felt it would be most effective only with a large line such as the Union Pacific. A few commuters called to note their sole dependence on the Rock Island for transportation; the disabled in serious jeopardy for adequate transportation to work or for medical treatment. Many of the employees had worked for the R. I. line for 20 to 35 years and know no other vocation. Several noted they would rather work than go on welfare. Most ended their conversation by saying "Anything the President could do would be appreciated." (And, an added note on my part: Every caller was polite. It was the first and only time a group has called the Comment Office and presented themselves in such a civil and even pleasant manner.)



WHITE HOUSE INCOMING MAIL REPORT FOR:

MARCH 8, 1975 - MARCH 21, 1975

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TOTAL PRESIDENTIAL RECEIVED IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD	44,042 *
PRESIDENTIAL UNPROCESSED CARRIED FORWARD	0
PRESIDENTIAL PROCESSED IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD	44,042
PRESIDENTIAL UNPROCESSED THIS PERIOD	0
TOTAL STAFF AND EXECUTIVE OFFICE MAIL	25,393
INCOMING MAIL TO FIRST LADY'S OFFICE	5,078
COMBINED TOTAL FOR THIS REPORTING PERIOD	74,513
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1974 (3-22-74)	63,233
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1973 (3-23-73)	133,431
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1972 (3-21-72)	99,575
COMBINED TOTAL FOR SAME REPORTING PERIOD IN 1971 (3-23-71)	86,043

* INCLUDES 2,736 TELEGRAMS AND 2,834 POSTCARDS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
GENERAL SUPPORT		878
PRESIDENT'S PRESS CONFERENCE (AID TO CAMBODIA) 3/6/75	PRO CON COMMENT	401 2,171 122
PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT DEPLORING ARAB TERRORIST ATTACK IN TEL AVIV 3/6/75	PRO CON COMMENT	299 0 12
PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC PROGRAMS	PRO CON COMMENT	37 204 1,418
PRESIDENT'S ENERGY PROGRAM	PRO CON COMMENT	77 259 508
RE: HUNGER IN AMERICA		767(a)
REQUESTS FOR AUTOGRAPHS/ PHOTOGRAPHS		345
CRITICAL COMMENTS		323
ABORTION	PRO CON COMMENT	2 170 0

(a) INCLUDES 482 FORM LETTERS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
REQUESTS FOR JOBS/ OFFERS OF SERVICES/ ENDORSEMENTS		567
CURRENT LEGISLATION		1,424
REQUESTS FOR BIRTHDAY/ ANNIVERSARY MESSAGES		1,357
NEW AND REGULAR SECRET SERVICE CASES		230
CHILDREN'S MAIL		7,742
CON: CUTTING MILITARY COMMISSARY PRIVILEGES		985
S 7/HR 25 - STRIP MINING BILL	PRO CON COMMENT	4 440 0
PRO: EMERGENCY FOOD FOR DEVELOPING NATIONS	STATE	426
RELEASE MIAs (FORMS)	STATE	722



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
PRO: AID TO SOVIET JEWS	STATE NSC	1,726(a)
AID TO ISRAEL PRO CON COMMENT	STATE	972 43 0
AID TO VIETNAM PRO CON COMMENT	STATE	24 385 35
CONTINUE U.S. DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION OF BALTIC NATIONS	STATE	523
PRO: 200 MILE LIMIT FOR OFF-SHORE FISHING	STATE	700
CON: MEAT IMPORTS	AGRICULTURE	1,908
RETAIN EXECUTIVE ORDER BANNING POISON FOR PREDATOR CONTROL	INTERIOR	479
CON: TRANSFER OF GAME RANGES FROM FISH AND WILDLIFE TO BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT	INTERIOR	680
PRO: FUNDING FOR ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD	DOT	1,198

(a) INCLUDES 601 FORM LETTERS



PRESIDENTIAL MAIL: 2 WEEK PERIOD

ENDING: MARCH 21, 1975

SUBJECT	REFERRED TO:	TOTALS
ENFORCE MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT OF 1972	COMMERCE	204
MISCELLANEOUS PRESIDENTIAL NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE BREAKDOWN		13,275
TOTAL PRESIDENTIAL MAIL PROCESSED THIS PERIOD		44,042



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 21, 1975

MEMORANDUM

TO: ROLAND L. ELLIOTT
FROM: PATRICIA A. STRUNK

COMMENT OFFICE TALLY: WEEK OF March 10-14, 1975

Pro GF---12
Con GF---3
Con Rockefeller---1
Con Kissinger---1
Pro Nixon---2
Con Nixon---1
Con fuel tariff---1
Con tax rebate---1
Pro gas rationing---1
Con gas rationing---3
Other economic concerns---3
Energy concerns---1
Unemployment concerns---7
Food price concerns---1
Welfare concerns---4
Housing concerns---3
Social Security concerns---2
Utility rates too high---1
CIA comment---1
FBI comment---1
Postal Service comment---1
SBA concerns---1
DOD concerns---3
VA concerns---2
EPA concerns---2
IRS concerns---2
Immigration concerns---1
HEW concerns---1
Medicaid concerns---1
Con aid to Israel---2
Con ME intervention---1
Pro PLO---2
Pro military/economic aid to Vietnam---8
Con military/economic aid to Vietnam---8
Pro military/economic aid to Cambodia---16
Con military/economic aid to Cambodia---22



Week of: March 10-14, 1975

Pro food assistance to Cambodia---5
Con foreign aid---2
Con busing---1
Con BF on ERA---1
Pro gun control---1
Con Susan's school prom at WH---1
Pro financial assistance to Rock Island Railroad---435

Unstable---36
Other calls---79

TOTAL---536



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 21, 1975

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS FROM WEEK OF: March 10-14, 1975

75 yr. old woman is against the 5% social security ceiling and said GF "hates senior citizens and must hate his mother!"

Con aid to SE Asia since the money goes to corrupt governments.

Stop aid to Israel; especially after Watergate because people are suspicious of lobby groups.

Pro aid to Cambodia. Regret there's so little protest in the Senate against communist aggression.

Pro aid to Cambodia. Hearty support for GF. "These are life-saving efforts." Con communist offensive in SVN. Appreciate GF.

Recognize the PLO.

Con aid to Cambodia. Have the rich in the US send money if they think aid is necessary.

Con aid to Cambodia. Food assistance is okay, but no aid for arms. Kissinger is a Jew and he's back of it all.

Can the military in Cambodia be trained to issue butter instead of guns, to build instead of fight?

GF should order Congress not to take a vacation!

Use Cambodia monies for the Rock Island railroad.

US should not aid SVN and let the stronger of the two sides prevail.

GF should support the CIA or have an investigative agency in the US to handle internal affairs. FBI is too conservative in its security methods.

Con Susan's school having its prom at WH. "Why can't my sis have her prom at the WH then?"



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 21, 1975

COMMENT OFFICE TALLY WEEK OF: March 17-21, 1975

Pro GF---11
Con GF---1
Pro Rockefeller---1
Con Rockefeller---1
Con Butz---1
Pro Nixon---1
Con Schlesinger---1
Con GF's economic proposals---1
Pro GF's energy proposals---1
Pro tax rebate---2
Other economic concerns---3
Energy concerns---1
Unemployment concerns---6
Food price concerns---1
Housing concerns---3
Social Security concerns---6
Pro tax reforms---2
Con oil depletion allowance---2
Pro oil depletion allowance---1
Con strip mining---1
Pro ecology---2
Support CIA---2
Support FBI---2
Postal Service concerns---1
SBA concerns---3
DOD concerns---3
VA concerns---4
EPA concerns---1
IRS concerns---2
OEO concerns---1
HEW concerns---1
Con Israel---1
Pro military/economic aid to SVN---17
Con military/economic aid to SVN---6
Pro military/economic aid to Cambodia---16
Con military/economic aid to Cambodia---14
Pro food assistance to Cambodia---2
Con food assistance to Cambodia---1
Con US/USSR trade---1
Con US/PRC trade---1
Pro raising USSR submarine---3
Con busing---2



Week of: March 17-21, 1975

Pro abortion---1
Con amnesty---2
Drug concern---1
Pro marijuana legalization---1
Con cut in commissary privileges---1
Support financial assistance for Rock Island railroad---5
MIA concern---1
Con anti-trust action against AT&T---1
Con FBI breaking into Arlington, Va. apt.---1

Unstable---13
Other calls---82

TOTAL CALLS-202



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 21, 1975

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS FROM WEEK OF: March 17-21, 1975

Complaint grocery stores don't carry jar lids for canning so people can't save money on their grocery bills.

Pro tax rebate for homeowners.

Con aid to Cambodia; disgraceful.

Against oil depletion allowance. The oil companies have too much special consideration and have had for too long!

Pro aid to VN and Cambodia. We can't go back on our word.

Congress shouldn't take an Easter vacation.

St. Peters Episcopal in Pittsburgh, Pa. is praying for US and GF's leadership.

GF is a great man and "I love the job he's doing."

Con aid to Cambodia and all other foreign aid. "Charity begins at home."

Favors military aid to Cambodia even if there is corruption. SE Asia is similar to E. Europe in the mid '50's. "We can't let Hungary happen again."

In favor of banning stripping of coal totally. Don't veto Strip Mining legislation.

Con aid to Cambodia. Killing is wrong.

Con aid to SE Asia. Very angry GF is "forcing the issue."

Con aid to SE Asia. No more bullets. US is doing this for oil off of SE Asian coast.

Money error in Cambodian funds is a "lie."

Pro aid to SE Asia. "Don't let the communists rule the world."



Week of: March 17-21, 1975

GF and Rockefeller are terrific. Con Hill doing away with the oil depletion allowance; distressing.

Con economic/military aid to Cambodia. Pro aid for food, medicine and other humanitarian purposes. Cambodia should settle their own problems. US should restore it to what it was before the US went in. I question the error in bookkeeping; unbelievable.

Ashamed if the US gives up on SE Asia. Our national honor is at stake. Con Hill reluctance on aid.

US got double-crossed by N. Vietnamese re: MIA's. GF should put pressure on NVN. GF's doing a good job with the economy. Tell the Hill to get out of meddling in the economy.

USRA, ICC and others are about to surrender the Rock Island Railroad. 7,500 miles of track is more important than a swamp in SE Asia. GF should help the RI employees and customers.

Pro raising the Russian sub.

Hill shows constant disregard for national security and CIA and FBI.

Why do the press and the Congress continue to destroy the CIA and FBI? They're selling the US down the river. The Members of Congress are afraid of what the agencies will find out about themselves.

USG punishes the farmer because of bad weather. The US must look out for the middle and low income people. The US will be ruled by communists if we don't turn the economy around.

Con Susan getting her fur coat via the furier flying down on a USG courier "in these hard times".

Con Susan receiving a beaver and fox fur coat for graduation. I'm a conservationist.

Agree with GF's Indochina policy. Hill is irresponsible on the aid request for it.

The school lunch programs in elementary schools should be re-examined. There's much wasted food and the state mandates portions and requires food be given even if the children don't want it.

Why not designate medicare people not on social security the \$100 tax refund also? (Women's income was \$1700-1800/yr.)



Week of: March 17-21, 1975

Don't surrender in SE Asia. US has a commitment. The Congress is wrong and is abandoning everything. Domestic issues won't change despite our foreign policy. Hill sounds like traitors to humanity. UN doesn't do anything.

Pro GF's policy in SE Asia. Don't let the communists take it over after all the money and deaths there.

Is it true that the Shah of Iran is getting F-14's before they're in service in our Navy and that the Arab nations are getting advanced destroyers 2-3 years before our Navy gets them?

Why isn't Kissinger doing something about SE Asia instead of being in the ME?

Con aid to SE Asia. Pro a strong defense policy for US but "I don't want another dime of my money going there because those countries will fall to the communists." Pleased GF's open and decent.

Re: Schlesinger comment on funds to Cambodia; "the man is out of touch with the realities of life and should resign. He's got a screw loose."

