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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN. ...

HENRY M. FRENCH / P.O. BOX 4667 / JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32201

November 4, 1976

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The President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Mr. President:

I am sure I speak for all of us who were your shipmates when I say you have done a magnificent job taking over in the midst of a tragedy and revitalizing the wheels of trust in our Nation.

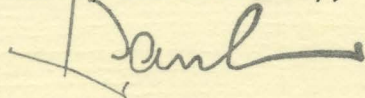
That you were not given the mandate to a continued four years in office does not seem to me to speak ill of your performance of duty, but, rather, speaks to the subject of the desire of many of the electorate to separate themselves from the memory of the regime which you succeeded.

Your pardon of your predecessor was absolutely vital to the posture of our government in the eyes of the diplomatic world and, yet, many without thinking through the machinations of national and international relations, condemned you for this act and it, this act (altruistic as it was), probably cost you the election.

Enough of this analysis - just let me conclude that I am indeed proud that I am numbered among those who have served beside you. My fervent prayers be that your days ahead for you and your grand family be of the best.

Should I have the good luck to be in Washington in the next two months, I shall call the White House, if only to leave my sincere and respectful regards.

Warmly and sincerely,



H. M. French

HMF:bc

Dear Hank



THE PRESIDENT HAS BEEN

HENRY M. TRENCH 120 N. W. 10th St. JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 2281

November 1, 1936

The President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am sure I speak for all of us who were your shipmates when I
and have done a significant job during that time in the midst of
a tragedy and revitalizing the wheels of trust in our Nation.

That you were not given the mandate to a continued four years in
office does not seem to me to speak ill of your performance of
duty, but, rather, speaks to the subject of the desire of many of
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Your pardon of your predecessor was absolutely vital to the peace
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tional relations, condemned you for this act and it, the act
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and respectful regards.

Very truly and sincerely,



H. M. Trench

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