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October 4, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DICK CHENEY
THRU: JACK MARSHALL *JM*
FROM: MAX FRIEDERSDORF *M.F.*

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As for political impact, Tom said he did not think the resignation would be damaging in Indiana.

The resignation is being perceived in Indiana as Butz' decision, with no pressure from the President, and entirely understandable due to the circumstances.



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October 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: DICK CHENEY
THROUGH: JACK MARSH
FROM: MAX FRIEDERSDORF *M.F.*

Senator Tower called today with reaction from Texas on the Butz episode.

Tower said Knebel is suspect because he does not have a farm background and went to school in the East.

Tower thinks we have an opportunity for a big plus if the President could name an acting Secretary with heavy credentials among wheat and cattle farmers, the two areas where we are hurting the most.

Tower said he will try to come up with some names soonest. (Strongly recommends someone NOT in government.)



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MAX FRIEDERDORF *M.F.*
FROM: CHARLES LEPPERT, JR. *CLJ.*
SUBJECT: Rep. Keith Sebelius (R. - Kansas)

Rep. Keith Sebelius says that a recent poll taken at the Kansas State Fair from September 18 to 26, 1976, showed the following results:

	<u>September 18</u>	<u>September 26</u>
Ford	50%	45%
Carter	45%	37%
Undecided	5%	18%
Sebelius	70%	60%
Opponent	21%	27%
Undecided	9%	13%

