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file w/ Salt Lake City trip Speech

## WASHINGTON

November 3, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

FROM:

TOM C. KOROLOGOS 14

SUBJECT:

Anti-Trust Penalty Increases

You asked me on Air Force One last evening to check the status of the increase in penalties for violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act and to follow-up with Jake Garn in Salt Lake City on your speech comments on that subject. (Tab-A contains the anti-trust portion of the text).

Actually, for the past five years, the Justice Department has been advocating legislation to increase the penalties for violation of anti-trust provisions from \$50,000 up to \$500,000.

It turns out that on October 11, 1974, the full House Judiciary Committee reported out S. 782, a Senate passed bill on consent decrees, containing a second Title increasing anti-trust fines up to \$500,000.

Since your anti-inflation speech, Justice has worked with Rodino to get him to accept an amendment increasing the penalty to \$1 (m) million. S. 782 is on the House Consent Calendar and when they come back from recess, Justice says Rodino will move the \$1 (m) million proposal as a committee amendment. In addition to the \$1 (m) million fine it is believed Rodino will offer an increase in the criminal penalty from a 1-year misdemeanor to a 5-year maximum felony penalty.



This agreement was worked out with Rodino's people last week.

I passed all of this along to Jake Garn's people today in case Owens is aware of the activity. I do not think Owens has enough time to do much of anything since there is only one day left. I also told Jake to refer any press or Owens' calls on the subject to the White House.



#### EXCERPT FROM SALT LAKE CITY REMARKS ON NOVEMBER 2, 1974

"Now, one important recommendation in my inflation-fighting and energy-saving program, one of the 31 proposals that I made was to tighten up and to increase the penalties for anti-trust price fixing action.

That legislation has been lying dormant in the House Committee on the Judiciary. I think it is legitimate to ask every Member of that committee, why haven't they acted.

If we can do something about price fixing; if we can do something about the anti-trust action -- and let me illustrate what I recommend -- that we increase the penalties for violation from \$50,000 to \$1 million -- and nothing has happened in the Congress or in the Committee on the Judiciary."



#### WASHINGTON

October 25, 1974

#### MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROBERT T. HARTMANN

FROM:

WARREN RUSTAND WSR

SUBJECT:

Leon Parma's Visit with the President In Los Angeles

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The President's departure for Los Angeles on October 31 will be at 1:00 p.m. The trip will include a stop in Sioux City, Iowa with arrival in Los Angeles about 4:30 or 5:00 p.m.

We will treat Mr. Parma as a Presidential guest from the time the President arrives in Los Angeles. We recommend that you advise him to meet the President at the Los Angeles airport and ride with him to the hotel, where we will have a room for him adjacent to the President's. Thus they can spend as much or as little time together as they choose.

As soon as the determination is made as to the exact arrival place within the Los Angeles International Airport, I will call your office with that information.

CC: Bill Henkel Terry O'Donnell

#### WASHINGTON

October 28, 1974

 

 MEMORANDUM FOR:
 ROBERT T. HARTMANN

 FROM:
 WARREN S. RUSTAND

 SUBJECT:
 Leon Parma's Visit with the President in Los Angeles

I have been advised by the Advance Office that Governor Reagen and Houston Flournoy will be meeting the President upon his arrival and wish to accompany him to the Hotel. In light of this, perhaps a more convenient greeting site for Mr. Parma would be within the Hotel. There will be a suite reserved under Mr. Parma's name very near the President's to facilitate their meeting (s).



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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

October 25, 1974

national Airport

Arrival at Los Angeles Inter-

MEMORANDUM FOR: ROBERT T. HARTMANN

FROM: WARREN S. RUSTAND

SUBJECT:

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President's Schedule in Los Angeles

4:30 - 5:30 (approx.)

5:30 p.m.Arrive Century Plaza Hotel6:30 - 7:00 p.m.Enter Reception and Mingle7:30 p.m.Return to Suite8:00 p.m.Dinner and Speech10:00 - 10:30 p.m.Return to Suite

Note: Based on the above schedule, I would recommend declination of the tour through Watts and any meetings which may take place outside Century Plaza.

It is possible to meet with the 77 mayors and George Romney's volunteers if the meetings are held at the Plaza or at a very close proximity to it.

November 1st

8:30 a.m. (approx.)

Departure

#### WASHINGTON

## October 25, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROBERT HARTMANN

FROM:

SUBJECT:

# PETE ROUSSEL

Schedule Updates to Action Memos

(1) Fresno, California - November 1:

The airport rally will be at noon rather than mid-morning. Departure will be directly for Portland rather than Las Vegas.

(2) Portland, Oregon - November 1:

Site of the reception will be the Benson Hotel instead of the Sheraton Motor Inn.

(3) Grand Junction, Colorado - November 2:

Site for the Colorado rally event will be Grand Junction rather than Denver.

