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Charlie Tom Pat

The following Congressmen will attend the Leadership meeting Tuesday, April 27:

MICHEL, BOB
DEVINE, SAM
CONABLE, BARBER
FREY, LOU
QUILLEN, JAMES
WIGGINS, CHARLES
MOORE, HENSON
FRENZEL, BILL
BROOMFIELD, WILLIAM
EDWARDS, JACK

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Tues- ap 27

Broomfield

8:00 Cabnet Room

REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP MEETING

Ogenda/Transition quarter

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 26, 1976

MEETING WITH REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

Tuesday, April 27, 1976 8:00-9:30 a.m. (90 minutes) The Cabinet Room

From: Max L. Friedersdorf 4.6.

I. **PURPOSE**

To discuss transition quarter funding for Israel and the Federal Election Commission legislation.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

- The President strongly opposes Senate action adding nearly \$800 million in program terms (\$623 million in appropriated funds) to his budget request for foreign military sales credits and security supporting assistance for the transition quarter.
- 2. H.R. 12203, Foreign Assistance and Related Programs Appropriations Act Conference Report containing the objectionable Senate add-on for the transition quarter, may be considered this week on the House Floor.
- If the President vetoes the security assistance bill 3. because of the transition quarter, chances are excellent for sustaining the veto. There are 142 votes in the House now in support of the President's position; 46 votes leaning favorable, and 162 votes undeclared or undecided.
- S.2662, the International Security Assistance Authorization Conference Report containing numerous administrative constraints and objectionable ceiling levels is also pending for House consideration this week.
- 5. The Conference Report on the Federal Election Campaign Act amendments is also due to be filed this week and ready for possible Floor consideration.
- Despite objections to sections of the bill, the President will receive recommendations to sign the bill from Hugh Scott, Bob Griffin, John Rhodes, Bob Packwood, Mark Hatfield, Chuck Wiggins, Bill Frenzel and Ted Stevens.
- В. Participants: See TAB A

C. Press Plan:

Press Office to announce as a regular Republican leadership meeting, White House photographer only.

III. TALKING POINTS

- 1. We have two issues of importance this week.
- 2. I refer to the transition quarter funding for security assistance (See TAB B), and the Federal Election Commission legislation (See TAB C). I would like to have your views and guidance on both of these subjects.
- 3. Let us first discuss the transition quarter situation.



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REGRETS

The Vice President - out of town
Rep. John Rhodes - out of town
Rep. John Anderson - previous commitment
Rep. Guy Vander Jagt - out of town
Rep. Al Cederberg - previous commitment
Rep. Garner Shriver - previous commitment
Rep. Bill Dickinson - no reason given
Sen. Milt Young - doctor's appointment
Sen. Ed Brooke - no reason given
Sen. John Tower - in Texas
Sen. Mark Hatfield - out of town
Rog Morton - in Atlanta
Ron Nessen
Jim Lynn
Bill Seidman
Alan Greenspan

ADMINISTRATION POSITION ON TRANSITION QUARTER FUNDING--H.R. 12203

(Foreign Assistance Appropriation Bill)

- -- The President strongly opposes Senate action adding nearly \$800 million in program terms (\$623 million in appropriated funds) to his budget request for foreign military sales credits and security supporting assistance for the transition quarter. If these funds are included, the President will veto the bill.
- -- Security assistance levels requested for FY 1976 are adequate to cover the transition quarter. This determination was made after rigorous study and analysis designed to arrive at a balanced, adequate program sufficient for the essential needs of our friends in the Middle East.
- -- The programs we proposed for FY 1976 (\$2,290 million) and FY 1977 (\$1,840 million) are adequate to meet Israel's needs for U.S. assistance to manage its security and economic problems through all eight quarters of calendar years 1976 and 1977. Therefore, the U.S. does not need to provide additional "transitional" quarter assistance to Israel.
- -- Although the President would like to be able to do more for our allies and friends, he is convinced that the total level of funds already requested in FY 1976 are adequate to meet the requirements of the recipients without placing unacceptable strains on our budget in a period of austerity at home. In view of pressing and unmet needs in other areas of the budget, such an increase in funding for FMS and supporting assistance in the transition quarter is not warranted.
- -- Both the House Appropriations Committee and the House Budget Committee concur in the adequacy of our current funding proposals without adding money for the transition quarter.
- -- If the bill is vetoed and we operate under the continuing resolution, which the President signed April 1, and which extends through September 30, aid to Israel and Egypt will be cut to less than one-third that provided in the bill passed by the House, i.e., instead of the \$2.2 billion for Israel in the House bill, Israel could receive only approximately \$600 million under the continuing resolution.
- -- The Administration would welcome restoration in the TQ of the shortfall between our FY 1976 program requests and the actual FY 1976 appropriation level during the transition quarter provided the restoration is made for all countries. The shortfall totals \$161 million.

II. ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF SIGNING BILL

1. Advantages of signing bill

- a) Finally permits reconstitution of Commission as soon as you nominate and Senate confirms six members, and as a result:
 - (i) Permits civil enforcement of the campaign laws under expanded enforcement provisions (For example, PFC complaints against Reagan's alleged violations will be entertained, whereas they are now in abeyance)
 - (ii) Issuance of Advisory Opinions and regulations can proceed for the guidance of candidates (Extensive regulations can be expected to be ready for submission to Congress by June 4, if the Bill is signed)
 - (iii) Certification for payment of Federal matching funds to Presidential candidates can be renewed (No payments have been certified after March 22, and PFC has an accumulated claim of close to one million dollars)
 - (iv) Significant new provisions of bill and clarifications can become operative, such as those requiring for the first time Union disclosure of costs for communications to support or oppose candidates
- h) Immediately upon signing will permit borrowing by Presidential candidates on security of anticipated Federal matching funds even before Commission members are nominated and confirmed
- c) The Bill as proposed by the Conference Committee offers some advantages which would not otherwise be obtained under your proposed bill for simply reconstituting the Commission, such advantages being principally:
 - (i) A much more comprehensive and flexible civil enforcement mechanism is provided to the Commission, the effect of which is to facilitate voluntary compliance through conciliation agreements and the authority to levy fines, particularly in instances of violations not serious enough to warrant criminal prosecution through the Justice Department.
 - (ii) For the first time, each Union will be required to report costs of communications used to support or oppose clearly identified candidates which are in excess of \$2,000 (Although the provision applies to Corporations as well, the latter do not ordinarily or extensively engage in such communications.)

- (iii) Although multiple PAC's of a single corporation related to its respective divisions or subsidiaries will be limited in their aggregate contributions per candidate as if these PAC's were a single giver (limited to \$5,000 per candidate in each election) this so-called non-proliferation provision applies as well to the PAC's of a single international union and all of its locals or to a national COPE and all of its state affiliates; and this aggregation principle would have an immediately greater impact on Union PAC's which at present probably outnumber active and sizeable PAC's of businesses.
- (iv) Contributions to the Republican National Committee building fund would no longer be restricted, so that by raising enough money from large contributors to purchase or construct an office building, the Committee will save rental costs and will free the money saved to use for campaign activities (Although this applies as well to the DNC, it is likely to be of greater advantage to the RNC).
 - (v) The Senatorial Campaign Committee and the National Committee of either party could together give a maximum of \$17,500 to each of its Senatorial candidates for each election, rather than the present \$10,000 combined limit.
- d) Most of the public, the media, and other candidates will probably regard the signing as a positive step in support of election reform and as a readiness on your part to refrain from increasing the financial squeeze on your Republican opponent's campaign and on the Democratic candidates' campaigns when the latter are fearful of the advantage this present plight gives to Humphrey. (Already, White House silence on whether you would sign the bill has been challenged as being self-serving.)
- e) In terms of your own campaign, with crucial primary contests coming up in Texas, Alabama, Georgia, and California where Reagan has innate strength that can probably only be equalized or overcome by full campaign efforts on your behalf, the need of the PFC for matching funds to meet its budgets for these states can best be satisfied in time by your signing the bill.
- f) Will avoid the uncertainty and delays which will be created pending a veto-override or, if that does not occur, before enactment of a new bill that you do sign; and avoids the risks of a veto override with the political disadvantages to you which could result from an override or, if that does not happen, the submission of a new bill to you that poses other disadvantages.

2. Disadvantages of signing bill

- a) Because the bill continues and adds to the Congressional one-house veto provisions over Commission rules and regulations, you will be perceived as accepting the action of the Congress in further weakening the independence of the Commission. (However, because you have already stated that you believe such provisions are unconstitutional, you can mitigate this consequence in a signing statement that proposes quick challenge in the Courts of these provisions. Also, because such provisions in a law that is meant to govern elections to Congress present the most favorable case for declaring them unconstitutional, you may get a decision that will be precedent for regarding as invalid similar veto provisions in the many other statutes which allow Congressional and even Committee vetoes of Executive regulations.)
- b) Because other new provisions of the bill may be unconstitutional, such as restrictions on communications and solicitations by corporations, unions and their PAC's, signing may imply your acceptance of these restrictions, although again language in your signing statement can mitigate this implication.
- c) Acceptance of the bill will mean that the new provisions therein, some of which are difficult to interpret, will add to uncertainty and the potential for litigation.
- d) Because on February 27, 1976, a statement by you on amendments to the Campaign laws contained the words "...I will veto any bill that will create confusion and will invite further delay and litigation," you may be perceived as going back on this commitment if you sign the bill.
- e) You will incur dissatisfaction on the part of business interests for the reasons set forth at length in part III of my memorandum to you of April 22, 1976; and to the extent that the business concerns may prove warranted and will cut down the ability or willingness of business interests to support the campaigns of Republicans, our party would be adversely affected.
- f) Adoption of this bill may discourage any further and more comprehensive legislation to deal with critical problems in the electoral process, such as for delegate selection and for difficulties experienced during the 1976 election under the present law as amended by this bill.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 4, 1976

MEETING WITH THE REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

Wednesday, May 5, 1976 8:00-9:00 a.m. (60 minutes) The Cabinet Room

From: Max L. Friedersdorf M.)

I. **PURPOSE**

To discuss the Day Care bill veto and General Revenue Sharing legislation with the Republican leaders.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

Α. Background:

- The House overrode the President's veto of H.R. 9803, Child Day Care Centers, by a vote of 301 - 101, on Tuesday, May 4.
- 2. The Senate vote is set for today, Wednesday, May 5, at 2:00 p.m.
- 3. The opportunity to sustain in the Senate is reasonably good. We have in the neighborhood of 30 votes with 33 probably needed because of absentees.
- 4. Democrats who voted against the bill whom we are seeking to retain include Byrd (Va.), Chiles, McClellan, Morgan, Nunn, Talmadge, Pastore and Proxmire.
- The following Republican Senators voted for the bill, 5. but are still considered good possibilities to sustain: Beall, Brock, Fong, Hatfield and Laxalt.
- 6. The full House Government Operations Committee met yesterday, Tuesday, May 4, for consideration and mark-up of the General Revenue Sharing bill approved by the Subcommittee.
- Votes are expected to occur today, Wednesday, and Chairman Jack Brooks (D-TEX) expects the full House to take up the bill sometime in May.
- 8. The Senate Finance Committee is expected to hold brief hearings after the House acts.
- В. Participants: SEE TAB A

C. Press Plan:

Announce to the Press as a regular Republican Leadership meeting - White House photos only.

III. TALKING POINTS

See TAB B

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The President

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REGRETS

The Vice President Bill Seidman



TALKING POINTS

- 1. I would like to talk with you about H.R. 9803, the Child Day Care Services Under Title XX of the Social Security Act. I regret that the House of Representatives has failed to sustain my veto of this bill.
- 2. This legislation runs counter to a basic and important principle of government -- the vesting of responsibility in State and local government and the removal of burdensome Federal regulations which thwart the effectiveness of that responsibility.
- 3. As I said in my statement yesterday, I am firmly committed to providing Federal assistance to States for social services programs, including child day care. But I am opposed to unwarranted Federal interference in States' administration of these programs.
- 4. H.R. 9803 would make permanent the highly controversial and costly Federally-mandated day care staff-to-children ratios. And it would deny the States the necessary flexibility to establish and enforce their own staffing standards for federally assisted day care.
- 5. This bill would not make day care services more widely available. It would only make them more costly to the American taxpayer. The expenditure of \$125 million over the next six months, and possibly as much as \$250 million more each year thereafter, would be required under this bill.
- 6. H.R. 9803 would also require that a portion of Federal social services funds be available under Title XX of the Social Security Act for a narrow, categorical purpose. In the deliberations leading to enactment of Title XX, a little over a year ago, the States and voluntary service organizations fought hard to win the right to determine both the form and the content of such services according to their own priorities. This bill would undermine the Title XX commitment to allow the various States their own initiative by dictating not only how day care services are to be provided, but also how they are to be financed under Title XX.
- 7. The Federal day care standards imposed by H.R. 9803 have been subject to considerable debate. In fact, the bill recognizes the questionable appropriateness of these standards by postponing their enforcement for the third time, in this case to July 1 of this year. Fewer than

one in four of the States have chosen to follow these standards closely in the administration of their day care programs. The Congress itself has required by law that the Department of Health, Education and Welfare conduct an 18-month study ending in 1977, to evaluate their appropriateness.

- 8. For these reasons, I urge the Senate to join me in opposing the enactment of this measure.
- 9. And I urge that the Congress extend, until October 1, 1976, the moratorium on imposition of Federal day care staffing standards that it voted last October 2. This would give the Congress ample time to enact my proposed Federal Assistance for Community Services Act, under which States would establish and enforce their own day care staffing standards and fashion their social services programs in ways they believe will best meet the needs of their citizens.

DRAFT TALKING POINTS

- 1. The House Government Operations Committee has begun mark-up of a General Revenue Sharing bill.
- 2. Although the Subcommittee did not endorse my proposal, the reported bill is not far from my position, and I want to thank Frank Horton and Jack Wydler for the work they have already done.
- 3. There are a number of important issues related to revenue sharing; however, the question of how General Revenue Sharing is funded is one of the most critical.
- 4. The funding provision of the current Act and my proposed renewal legislation provide for a combined authorization-appropriation of funds over a long-term period.
- 5. Opponents of the legislation, led by Brooks, Mahon, Adams and liberal Democrats, are seeking annual appropriations and want to gut the program.
- 6. The entitlement financing provision in the Subcommittee bill was developed as a realistic approach to this highly controversial question of how revenue sharing is funded. The provision does not substantially modify the basic tenets of the revenue sharing concept, but it does answer the argument of those Members who have charged that the existing funding provision bypasses the traditional Congressional appropriations process and circumvents the newly-established Budget Act procedures designed to control longterm spending actions.
- 7. I am strongly committed to the long-term funding of General Revenue Sharing and opposed to annual appropriations.
- I hope the House will pass a bill which is consistent with my objectives and give the Senate an opportunity to work for a much stronger bill.
- 9. I need your strong public support.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 30, 1976

STAFF BRIEFING ON GENERAL REVENUE SHARING RENEWAL LEGISLATIVE SITUATION

Saturday, May 1, 1976 The Oval Offica

From: Jim Cannon All

I. PURPOSE

To brief the President on the status of General Revenue Sharing renewal legislation, and to get Presidential guidance on strategy as the bill is taken up by the full Committee.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS & PRESS PLAN

A. Background: On Tuesday, May 4, the House Government Operations Committee will begin consideration of the General Revenue Sharing bill reported by the Fountain Subcommittee. Although the Subcommittee did not endorse the President's proposal, the reported bill includes most of the major elements proposed by the President.

Congressmen Frank Horton and Jack Wydler, ranking minority members of the Committee and Subcommittee respectively, need guidance on your strategy for the Committee sessions next week and the floor battles to follow.

Four major issues will dominate full Committee consideration:

- length of program and level of funding;
- method of funding;
- civil rights; and
- 4. formula revision.

Tab A is a summary of these points.



B. <u>Legislative Assessment</u>: There has been a 36.5% turnover in the House since 1972 when General Revenue Sharing was enacted.

The key House vote in 1972 was on a motion to adopt a "closed rule" for consideration of the General Revenue Sharing bill.

In 1972, the motion passed by a vote of 223-185 (R 113-57; D 110-128). Today, 63% of the Members (141 Members) who supported General Revenue Sharing on this critical vote are still serving, while nearly 70% (126 Members) of those opposed remain Members. There are 157 new Members since 1972 (103 D; 54 R). Tab B is a statistical display of the key rule vote.

The opposition represented a coalition of liberal Democrats opposed to "no strings" spending, and conservative Democrats and Republicans who opposed the program for a variety of philosophical reasons including increased spending and the funding method which by-passed the traditional appropriations process. With respect to the latter, current Members of the Appropriations Committee voted 31-15 (R 8-7; D 23-8) against General Revenue Sharing on this vote. Members of the new Budget Committee voted 14-9 (R 4-4; D 10-5) against. Tab C is a list of all current Republican Members who voted "wrong" on this rule vote in 1972.

The nature of the opposition in the 94th Congress closely parallels that expressed in 1972, reflecting the same philosophical differences over the control and distribution of Federal funds and appropriate Congressional procedures.

- C. Participants: See Tab D.
- D. Press Plan: To be announced.



1. Length of Program and Level of Funding

President's Proposal: 5 3/4 years; total funding of \$39.5 billion, including \$150 million annual increase.

Subcommittee Bill: 3 3/4 years; total funding of \$24.9 billion, with no annual increase (funds frozen at 1976 level of \$6.65 billion).

Comment: Committee Democrats may attempt to get a 1 3/4-year extension. Governors and Mayors are willing to accept a 3 3/4-year compromise. A longer extension may be obtainable in the Senate.

All attempts to increase funding, including those advanced by Members wanting to change the formula, were rejected. No serious effort is anticipated to increase the level of funding, except to the extent the formula is modified.

Method of Funding

President's Proposal: Continue the present combined authorization-appropriation approach.

Subcommittee Bill: Establishes an "entitlement" financing approach.

Comment: The entitlement financing adopted by the Subcommittee was developed as a realistic approach to the highly controversial question of how General Revenue Sharing should be funded. It does not substantially modify the basic tenets of the revenue sharing concept, but it does answer the argument of influential Members such as George Mahon and Jack Brooks who have charged that the existing funding provision bypasses the traditional Congressional appropriations process and circumvents the newly-established Budget Act procedures designed to control long-term spending actions.

3. Civil Rights

President's Proposal: Retains current nondiscriminative requirement, but clarifies the Secretary's authority to withhold all or a portion of entitlement funds,

to require repayments, and terminate eligibility where revenue sharing funds have been expended in a discriminatory fashion.

Subcommittee Bill: Expands nondiscrimination requirements to cover all State and local programs except where recipient can prove "with clear and convincing evidence" that the program was not funded, directly or indirectly, with revenue sharing funds.

Extensive hearing and compliance procedures are spelled out requiring time limits for investigations, compliance, administrative procedures and court actions. Private civil suits are authorized only after the exhaustion of administrative remedies.

Comment: There has been substantial criticism of the enforcement record under the current Act. The subcommittee provision was drafted as a compromise which the Members hoped would neutralize the issue and gain some liberal support.

It now appears that the civil rights community and their Congressional allies will not support the bill without more drastic changes, and the Subcommittee provision may go too far for most moderate and conservative Members. An effort will be made to return to a position more consistent with, but possibly stronger than, the President's proposal.

4. Formula Provisions

President's Proposal: Retains current formula with a slight increase in upper constraint.

Subcommittee Bill: Retains current formula without change, but attempts to tighten eligibility criteria.

Comment: Liberal Democrats will renew their attempts to modify formula or add a new provision for the distribution of increased payments to "needy" governments.



House vote on motion to end debate and adopt "closed rule" for consideration of H. R. 14370. Motion agreed to, 223-185, June 21, 1972. A yea vote was in support of General Revenue Sharing.

	Republicans		Democrats		Total	
	1972	1976	1972	1976	1972	1976
YEA	113	.57	110	84	223	141
NAY	57	32	128	94	185	126
NOT VOTING	8	. 2	16	6	24	8
TOTAL, 92nd Congress	178	91	254	184	432*	267
"NEW" MEMBERS	date days	54		103	and and	157
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^{* 2} vacancies, Speaker not voting.

TAB C -- ALL CURRENT REPUBLICAN MEMBERS VOTING AGAINST GENERAL REVENUE SHARING ON KEY VOTE IN 1972

Republicans

Andrews Archer Ashbrook Broyhill Burke Carter Cederberg Clancy Clawson Collins Crane Derwinski Devine Edwards Findley Frey

Hutchinson Lujan Michel Myers (Ind.) Rhodes Robinson Rousselot Ruppe Schneebeli Sebelius Skubitz Spense Snyder Talcott Vander Jagt Young (Fla.)



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 11, 1976

MEETING WITH BIPARTISAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

Wednesday, May 12, 1976 8:00-9:00 a.m. (60 minutes) The Cabinet Room

From: Max L. Friedersdorf

I. PURPOSE

To discuss Secretary Kissinger's recent trip to Africa.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

- A. <u>Background</u>: Secretary Kissinger has returned from a two week trip to Africa and will be reporting to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Thursday.
- B. Participants: See TAB A
- C. Press Plan:

Announce the meeting to the Press, White House photographer only.

III. TALKING POINTS

See TAB B



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The Secretary of State

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REGRETS

The Vice President Sen. Robert Byrd Wednesday, May 12. Bi-partisan leadership meeting. 8:00 a.m. for approximately one hour. Cabinet Room, NE Gate.

agenda: Kissinger's Africa trip and FEC.

(Nancy would like to know by 2:00 this afternoon who will attend.)

-Albert

₩O'Neill

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Phil Burton

Rhodes

Michel

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Broomfield

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Thursday, June 3

Bipartisan leadership meeting re revenue sharing.

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GOP LEADERSHIP - THURSDAY - JUNE 10 - CABINET RM - NW GATE
AGENDA: REVENUE SHARING & CLEAN AIR ACT

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SENATE

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FROM:	Max L. Friedersdorf
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Republican Leadership Meeting

Wednesday, June 23. 8:00 - 9:30 a.m. Cabinet Room.

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8:00-9:30 a.m. (90 minutes)
GOP LEADERSHIP - WEDNESDAY - JUNE 23 - CABINET ROOM - NW GATE
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June 22, 1976

MEETING WITH REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

Wednesday, June 23, 1976 8:00-9:30 a.m. (90 minutes) The Cabinet Room

From: Max L. Friedersdorf M.

I. PURPOSE

To discuss with the Republican leaders the President's decision on school desegregation, the delegate situation and the Republican National Convention.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

- The President has developed a legislative proposal pertaining to court-ordered busing and this proposal will be transmitted to the Congress shortly after the leadership meeting.
- 2. The Attorney General and the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, who assisted the President in developing the proposed legislation, will be in attendance.
- 3. The leaders are anxious to discuss the current political situation, i.e. delegates and the convention, and Rog Morton and Jim Baker will be present also.
- Participants: See TAB A В.
- Announce as a regular Republican leadership Press Plan: meeting - White House photographer only.

III. **AGENDA**

See TAB B

IV. TALKING POINTS

See TAB C

PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
The Attorney General
The Secretary of Health, Education

HOUSE

John Rhodes

Bob Michel

John Anderson

Sam Devine

Jack Edwards

Barber Conable

Lou Frey

Guy Vander Jagt

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Jim Baker

REGRETS

Sen. Brooke - out of town
Bill Seidman - out of the country
Alan Greenspan - out of the country

AGENDA

8:00-8:05 a.m. (5 minutes)	The President opens the meeting and introduces the subject of court-ordered busing.
8:05-8:15 a.m. (10 minutes)	The President calls upon Attorney General Levi and Secretary Mathews to discuss the Admini- stration's proposed legislation dealing with court-ordered busing.
8:15-8:35 a.m. (20 minutes)	The President invites the leaders to comment on and discuss this proposal.
8:35-8:40 a.m. (5 minutes)	The President introduces the subject of the campaign.
8:40-8:55 a.m. (15 minutes)	The President calls upon Rog Morton and Jim Baker to discuss the current situation as to delegates and the convention.
8:55-9:25 a.m. (30 minutes)	The President asks the leaders to give their assessment of the political situation. (The President's Floor Manager, Bob Griffin, and Assistant Floor Manager, Bob Michel, will be in attendance.)
9:25-9:30 a.m. (5 minutes)	The President summarizes the discussion and concludes the meeting.

TALKING POINTS

- 1. We are here to talk about school desegregation and in particular the impact of court-ordered busing on our educational process.
- 2. Before going to the substance of the matter, however, I would like to make several things very clear. First, I recognize that a President, any President, has a fundamental responsibility to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution. I fully intend to do so. Second, I am also committed to seeing that every American child's right to a good education is realized. I think these two principles must guide our discussion.
- 3. It is my own view that some courts have gone too far in requiring massive student transfers simply to achieve racial balance. I think we need to do something about this.
- 4. I have, therefore, been working with the Attorney General and the Secretary of HEW to develop legislation which will better equip everyone, the schools, the communities, the courts and the Federal government, to deal with unlawful discrimination and to preserve the goal of quality education for all.
- 5. Ed Levi, would you please summarize for the group the decisions that we have made on the legislation.

Thursday, August 5 - 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. Cabinet Room

Republican leadership meeting - re clean air and voter registration

Acceptances

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FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf

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REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP - THURSDAY - AUGUST 5 - 9-10:30 a.m. Cabinet Room - NW Gate - (AGENDA: Clean Air & Voter Registration)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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August 4, 1976.

MEETING WITH REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

Thursday, August 5, 1976 8:00-9:00 a.m. (1 hour) The Cabinet Room

From: Max Friedersdorf M. . .

I. PURPOSE

To discuss the clean air and postcard voter registration legislation.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

- 1. Clean Air is on both the House and Senate Floor this week and contains unacceptable provisions involving significant deterioration requirements for industry.
- 2. Postcard voter registration has suddenly become an urgent legislative item for the Democratic Congressional leadership after their Presidential candidate issued a request for its passage. The bill has been scheduled for consideration this week in the House, but may be postponed.
- B. Participants: See TAB A
- C. Press Plan: Press office to announce as regularly scheduled leadership meeting; White House, and press photos if requested.

III. TALKING POINTS

- 1. Clean Air See TAB B
- 2. Postcard Voter Registration See TAB C



PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Vice President
The Administrator of FEA

HOUSE

John Rhodes
Bob Michel
John Anderson
Sam Devine
Jack Edwards
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SENATE

Hugh Scott
Bob Griffin *
John Tower
Carl Curtis
Bob Stafford
Ted Stevens
Howard Baker
Hiram Fong

REGRETS

Administrator Train
Jim Lynn
Sen. Buckley
Rep. Wiggins
Rep. Frey



Talking Points

I understand that the Senate will complete action today on the Clean Air Act Amendments, and that the House is in the midst of floor consideration. I have several concerns with respect to these two Bills.

Auto Emissions:

- In January 1975, I asked the Congress to modify the present auto emissions standards schedule, which in light of energy and economic needs are overly stringent.
- On May 28 and again yesterday I transmitted to Chairman Harley Staggers my position strongly supportive of the Dingell-Broyhill Amendment. As you know, this amendment would stabilize emissions standards for three years, imposing stricter standards for two years thereafter.
- Relative to the standards in the present House and Senate Bills, Dingell-Broyhill would result in consumer cost savings of billions of dollars and fuel savings of billions of gallons.

Stationary Source Issues:

- As my May 28 letter to Harley Staggers and Jennings Randolph indicated, sections of the House and Senate Bills dealing with stationary sources contain numerous unacceptable provisions.
- I understand that there are dozens of amendments being offered on the House floor, as well as the possibility of a substitute measure.
- In light of the potential for substantial amending actions and the lengthy Conference that is expected, it is difficult to take a position on the House or Senate Bills at this time.
- We have identified several problem areas, and we anticipate working with the Minority to resolve these problems.

VOTER REGISTRATION ACT

The House is about to consider the so-called Post Card Registration bill. My principal concerns about this bill focus on the intrusion by the Federal Government in matters the primary responsibility for which the Constitution has left to the states, and the increased potential and likelihood for fraud.

The bill lacks necessary safeguards for protection of legitimate state interests and appears to give near absolute authority to a Voting Registration Administration in Washington:

- -- The bill leaves to the Administration the decision as to what information required by state law is necessary to include on the post card registration form to identify and determine the qualifications of individuals and to prevent fraud.
- -- The bill does not require either consultation with or approval of the appropriate state officials when this form is prepared.
- -- At its option, the Administration may provide personnel and other assistance to the states upon request to assist in the registration of individuals.

I would like to get your thoughts on this bill, and how the issue should be handled.

REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP - TUESDAY, AUGUST 31 - 8-9:30 a.m. Cabinet Room - NW Gate - AGENDA: Campaign

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August 30, 1976

MEETING WITH REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

Tuesday, August 31, 1976 8:00-9:30 a.m. (90 minutes) The Cabinet Room

From: Max L. Friedersdorf

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I. PURPOSE

To discuss with the Republican leaders the plans for the Fall campaign and the remaining legislative schedule in the 94th Congress.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

- 1. The meeting will be the first opportunity for the President to meet with the Republican leaders since the convention and strategy sessions in Vail.
- 2. October 2nd has been set by the Congress as a proposed adjournment date by the 94th Congress.
- 3. Major legislative battles remain unresolved before adjournment, including Administration initiatives and Congressional bills objectionable to the White House. (See TAB A)
- B. Participants: See TAB B

C. Press Plan:

Announce as a regular Republican leadership meeting; Press and White House photographers.

III. AGENDA (See TAB C)

IV. TALKING POINTS

- 1. Since our last meeting we have had a successful convention and a valuable campaign planning session in Vail.
- 2. Congress has a lot of work to do before adjournment on October 2nd.
- 3. I would like to discuss the subjects of the campaign and the remaining legislative schedule.

- 4. I would appreciate comments from the leaders on both subjects and we will try to answer any questions you might have.
- 5. John (Rhodes), Hugh (Scott)....?

PARTICIPANTS

The President

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Hugh Scott
Bob Griffin
John Tower
Carl Curtis
Ted Stevens
Bob Dole

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REGRETS

The Vice President - in Maine Sen. Stafford - previous commitment

MAJOR ADMINISTRATION MEASURES WHICH WE WANT PASSED BEFORE ADJOURNMENT, IN ACCEPTABLE FORM

Estate and Gift Tax Adjustment Act - due for House Floor consideration this week; a Senate version passed as a part of the omnibus bill.

<u>LEAA Extension</u> - Senate passed; House due to consider a version this week. Neither version closely resembles the Administration proposal.

<u>General Revenue Sharing</u> - House passed; Senate Committee action ongoing.

Nuclear Fuel Assurance Act - House passed its version; Senate version is on the Calendar with no action scheduled.

Synthetic Fuels - Senate ready to take action after House, but House Rules Committee has not yet scheduled a hearing on the versions reported from three difference House Committees.

Grain Inspection - Legislation on this subject has been stymied in Conference since early May.

Comprehensive Oil Pollution Liability and Compensation Act - This major Administration proposal to compensate individuals who suffer damages from oil spills has been stymied in the House but there is now some movement in the House Merchant Marine Committee; the Senate could act quickly after House action.

Unemployment Compensation Amendments - House passed a version which the Administration will accept as better than nothing; Senate expected to act in September.

Repeal of the 1% Kicker - House originally scheduled to act this week but bill was pulled from Calendar. Favorable action still optimistically anticipated.

Stockpile Disposal Legislation - Hearings have been held and legislation is percolating.

(There are a number of Administration initiatives like our block grant proposals, social security reform proposals, catastrophic health care protection, regulatory reform, defense cost saving measures, and a host of others which we would like to have passed, but clearly, these measures are not likely to be passed by Congress this year.)

POTENTIAL PROBLEMS

- 1. Clean Air Passed Senate; on House Floor this week.
- 2. Toxic Substances

- 3. Water Pollution Control Amendments too much money and possible adverse action on section 404 relating to dredge and fill.
- 4. Export Administration Extension
- 5. Food Stamps Passed Senate; reported by House Agriculture Committee.
- 6. Black Lung
- 7. Strip Mining
- 8. Public Service Jobs CETA Extension
- 9. Public Works Jobs Appropriations
- 10. Labor/HEW Appropriations \$4 billion over budget
- 11. Anti-Trust Parens Patriae Passed House; pending in Senate.
- 12. B-1 Bomber Defense Appropriations Conference pending
- 13. Tax Bill Conference underway.
- 14. Arab Boycott At issue in both the Tax Bill and Export

AGENDA

8:00-8:05 a.m. (5 minutes)	The President opens the meeting and introduces the subjects of the campaign and the remaining legislative schedule for the 94th Congress.
8:05-8:25 a.m. (20 minutes)	The President calls upon House Minority Leader Rhodes and Senate Minority Leader Scott for comment.
8:25-8:45 a.m. (20 minutes)	The President calls upon the other leaders for comments.
8:45-9:00 a.m. (15 minutes)	The President calls upon campaign director Baker for comments about the campaign.
9:00-9:10 a.m. (10 minutes)	The President calls upon Jack Marsh for comments about the legislative program.
9:10-9:25 a.m. (15 minutes)	The President invites the leaders to introduce any other subjects of interest.
9:25-9:30 a.m. (5 minutes)	The President summarizes the meeting and concludes it.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 27, 1976

MEETING WITH BIPARTISAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS

Tuesday, September 28, 1976 8:00-9:30 a.m. (90 minutes) The Cabinet Room

From: Max L. Friedersdorf M()

I. PURPOSE

To report to the bi-partisan leadership on Dr. Kissinger's African trip and to urge consideration of the revenue sharing legislation in acceptable form.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

- 1. Secretary of State Kissinger has returned from his diplomatic mission to South Africa and has reported to the President.
- 2. The 94th Congress hopes to adjourn sine die this weekend, Friday, October 1.
- 3. However, Representative John J. McFall (D-CA), the House Majority Whip, has indicated to John Rhodes, that the Congress will not adjourn this weekend unless H.R. 15194, Public Works Employment Appropriations, is acted upon by the President. (The bill has passed both the House and Senate, and reached the White House late Monday afternoon.)
- 4. The House-Senate conferees were meeting on Monday to resolve differences between the pending General Revenue Sharing renewal bills.
- B. Participants: See TAB A
- C. Press Plan: Press Office to announce meeting. White House and Press photographers.
- III. AGENDA See TAB B
 - IV. TALKING POINTS See TAB C



PARTICIPANTS

The President
The Secretary of State
The Secretary of the Treasury

HOUSE

Carl Albert
Tip O'Neill
John McFall
Bob Michel
Doc Morgan
Bill Broomfield
George Mahon
Al Cederberg
Phil Burton
Frank Horton
Jack Brooks

SENATE

Jim Eastland
Bob Byrd

Hugh Scott
Bob Griffin
John Sparkman
Cliff Case
Russell Long
John McClellan
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REGRETS

The Vice President Rep. John Rhodes Rep. John Anderson Sen. Bob Dole Sen. Bill Proxmire Sen. Carl Curtis Bill Seidman

AGENDA

8:00 - 8:05 a.m. (5 minutes)	The President opens the meeting and introduces the subject of Dr. Kissinger's diplomatic mission to South Africa.	
8:05 - 8:30 a.m. (25 minutes)	Dr. Kissinger briefs	
8:30 - 9:00 a.m. (30 minutes)	The President invites the leaders to comment or raise questions.	
(The House will convene at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday and the Speaker will have to leave early.)		
9:00 - 9:05 a.m. (5 minutes)	The President urges favorable consideration of General Revenue Sharing prior to adjournment.	
9:05 - 9:30 a.m. (25 minutes)	The President may wish to call upon Senator Long, Representatives Brooks and Horton for comments on revenue sharing.	
9:30 a.m.	The President adjourns the meeting.	

The House-Senate conferees will meet today to resolve differences between the pending General Revenue Sharing renewal bills. The major issues are length of the program's extension and the annual increase in funding:

House -- 3 3/4 years extension; no annual increase Senate -- 5 3/4 years extension; \$200 million annual increase

President -- 5 3/4 years extension, \$150 million annual increase

It is expected that the conferees will deal with the other provisions (civil rights; reporting, citizen participation) in a manner consistent with the President's recommendations.

At least 5 of the 10 House conferees, including Chairman Brooks, are insisting on the House provisions for length and funding. They are supported in their "no increase" position by a Budget Act provision which could prevent the House from accepting additional funds unless the Rules Committee were to waive points of order.

The Senate conferees would be willing to compromise (e.g. 3 3/4 to 4 3/4 years; \$100-150 million annual increase). Representatives of State and local officials want the additional funds and are soft on the length issue. If the increase is not obtainable, they would apparently favor a short extension.

FOR CABINET MEETING

SECRETARY KISSINGER'S TRIP TO SOUTHERN AFRICA

Background

Upon his return last Friday Secretary Kissinger briefed you on his trip to Africa (September 13-24, 1976). As you know, over the course of his negotiations with Prime Ministers Vorster, and Smith and key black leaders he was able to achieve agreement among the parties to a framework for establishing under British auspices a transition government in Rhodesia leading ultimately to majority rule. He also achieved agreement between South Africa and Namibian nationalists (SWAPO) on a process for opening talks in Geneva under loose UN auspices which would define the terms for Namibian independence by the end of 1978.

This meeting provides the opportunity to underscore the objectives of your policy toward southern Africa and to review with Congressional leaders and the Cabinet the Secretary's achievements and perceptions of the problems still ahead on the road to peaceful settlement of the Rhodesian and Namibian issues. After your opening remarks you may wish to call on Director Bush for a briefing of the trends in the area, following which Secretary Kissinger could summarize his trip.

Talking Points

1. I have asked Secretary Kissinger and George Bush to join us this morning and to brief us on trends in southern Africa and the results of Henry's trip.

- Beforehand, I want to congratulate Secretary Kissinger for a 2. remarkable accomplishment. Following on the heels of innumerable previous attempts by the British, the front-line African leaders and the South Africans to achieve a peaceful settlement of the Rhodesian debacle: faced with intensified guerrilla and counter-guerrilla action in and around Rhodesia, he has paved the way for a peaceful resolution of the extremely volatile problem of Rhodesia and the explosive issue of Namibian independence. By the end of this week, the British will have picked up the ball by calling a constitutional conference to establish a transition government in Rhodesia and to get on with drafting a constitution for the government of an independent Zimbabwe -- as it will be called -- to come into being within two years. A foremost requirement will be strict guarantees of the rights of the white minority. Ian Smith has agreed to this process. The front-line Presidents have agreed. The precise modalities are still to be worked out.
- 3. As for Namibia, again thanks to Secretary Kissinger's efforts, we believe it will be possible for all the parties concerned with Namibian independence -- South Africa and certain nationalists -- to come together soon in Geneva to work out a constitution and the transitional government which will lead to independence by the end of 1978, as the South Africans have already promised.
- 4. Much remains to be done, but the road is now open for African solutions to African problems, free of outside intervention, violence LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

and bitterness. We are prepared to continue to help in the process of reaching a peaceful setttlement although from this point forward the responsibility must rest with the British.

- 5. (Ask Director Bush to brief.)
- 6. (Ask Secretary Kissinger to brief)
- 7. Gentlemen, as you know, I became concerned over trends in Southern Africa last year. Soviet gains in Angola using Cuba as their surrogate created serious risks for US interests. African leaders were reviewing their options and political loyalties. The threat of Cuban subversion expanding through Southern Africa with consequent violence and bloodshed was quite high. Time was running out for a peaceful solution in Rhodesia and Namibia.
- 8. I believed we had a moral obligation to lend our good offices to a peaceful solution. What we achieved is an enormous tribute to Henry Kissinger's brilliance. In weeks ahead our role will diminish but I believe we should all take pride as Americans for our contribution to the peaceful solution we have made possible.

N.W. Gate

BIPARTISAN LEADERSHIP on Tuesday, September 28 at 8:00 a.m. in the Cabinet Room - Agenda: African Trip briefing by Henry Kissinger and Pending Legislation prior to adjournment

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BIPARTISAN LEADERSHIP on Tuesday, September 28 at 8:00 a.m. in the Cabinet Room - Agenda: African Trip briefing by Henry Kissinger and Pending Legislation prior to adjournment

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