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January 3, 1976

Dear Jim:

Enclosed are four pictures taken during Congressional Hour on December 16.

I am pleased to send them to you with the best wishes of the President.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vernon C. Loen
Deputy Assistant to the President

Honorable James F. Hastings
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Jim:

I am sorry to hear about your forthcoming resignation from Congress, where you will be sorely missed.

I am enclosing another set of pictures taken with the President during Congressional Hour on December 16.

I am pleased to send them to you with the best wishes of the President.

With kind personal regards, I am

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VCLivh enclosures (7) b & w pictures
(Vern Loen hand-delivered pictures taken of constituents and P to Rep. Hastings on 12/18)
MEETING WITH REP. JAMES F. HASTINGS (R-N.Y.)

Tuesday, December 16, 1975
11:15 a.m. (5 minutes)
The Oval Office

Via: Max Friedersdorf
From: Vern Loen

I. PURPOSE

Presentation to the President of a commemorative membership in the Gowanda Shrine Club #1 of Gowanda, New York

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

1. Mr. Hastings requested this presentation in an October 8, 1975, letter.

2. The Gowanda Shrine Club, which traces itself back to 1911, was formally organized in 1913. It is believed to be the oldest Shrine Club in North America.

3. These three representatives of the club believe it appropriate that the nation's Number One Citizen be recognized by the Number One Shrine Club.

4. News of Mr. Hastings' anticipated resignation from Congress to enter private enterprise appeared in the Washington Post Saturday. He is expected to resign in January.
B. Participants:
The President
Rep. James F. Hastings (R-N.Y.)
Mr. Richard R. Carpenter - President of the Gowanda Shrine Club #1
Mr. Dan John McGilvray - Potentate's Aide Gowanda Shrine Club #1
Mr. Ralph N. Schaack - Member of Gowanda Club #1
Vern Loen (staff)

C. Press Plan:
Announce to press
White House photographer

III. TALKING POINTS

1. Gentlemen, it is a great honor to receive this commemorative membership in the nation's oldest Shrine club.

2. I appreciate your coming all the way here for this presentation.

3. You have a fine Congressman in Jim Hastings with whom I served for nearly five years. I was sorry to learn that you are considering resigning your seat in January, Jim.

DATE: As soon as possible

PURPOSE: Presentation to the President of a commemorative membership in the Gowanda Shrine Club #1 of Gowanda, New York.

FORMAT: The Oval Office - 5 minutes

PARTICIPANTS:
The President
Rep. James F. Hastings (R-N.Y.)
Mr. Richard R. Carpenter - President of the Gowanda Shrine Club #1
Mr. Dan John McGilvray - Potentate's Aide Gowanda Shrine Club #1
Mr. Ralph N. Schaack - Member of Gowanda Club #1

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking points to be provided

PRESS COVERAGE: Announce to press
White House photographer

STAFF: Vern Loen

RECOMMEND: Max Friedersdorf

BACKGROUND:
1. Mr. Hastings requested this presentation in an October 8, 1975, letter.

2. The Gowanda Shrine Club, which traces itself back to 1911, was at that time a group of Shriners, in Gowanda, New York, and the area, who travelled to Buffalo for the ceremonials of Ismailia Temple. In 1913, this group of Nobles organized what is now thought to be the oldest Shrine Club in North America.

APPROVE__________ DISAPPROVE__________
MEMORANDUM OF CALL

TO: Vera

☑ YOU WERE CALLED BY — ☐ YOU WERE VISITED BY —

 Clair Bradley

OF (Organization) Cong. Hastings

☐ PLEASE CALL → PHONE NO. CODE/EXT. 225-3161

☐ WILL CALL AGAIN ☐ IS WAITING TO SEE YOU

☐ RETURNED YOUR CALL ☐ WISHES AN APPOINTMENT

MESSAGE

Wanted to know if we received Hawanda Shrine letter.

1/13 Mark Called Hastings
12/8 Hastings spoke of VL or NLF

RECEIVED BY 11/25 VL Called

DATE 12/4 TIME 12:30

STANDARD FORM 63 GPO: 1969-048-16-60341-1 282-889 63-108
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GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6
Mr. Vernon C. Loen
Deputy Assistant to the President
for Congressional Affairs
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Vern:

I am enclosing background information relative to the Gowanda Shrine Club No. 1, Gowanda, New York, in regard to the presentation to President Ford with a commemorative membership to the Club.

The following persons from my Congressional District will be coming to Washington for this presentation:

Richard R. Carpenter, President
Gowanda Shrine Club # 1
5 Armes Court
Gowanda, New York 14070

Dan John McGilvray
Potentate's Aide Gowanda Shrine Club # 1
33 Leavenworth Street
Cattaraugus, New York 14719

Ralph N. Schaack, Member of Club # 1
88 Jamestown Street
Gowanda, New York 14070

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

JAMES F. HASTINGS
HISTORY

The history of Gowanda Shrine Club can be traced back to 1911 although at that time it was just a group of Shriners, in Gowanda and the area, who travelled to Buffalo for the ceremonials of Ismailia Temple. During one of these ceremonials the group marched behind a banner with Gowanda Club on it and were given praise for their initiative by the Illustrious Potentate.

So an idea was born which would give the Nobles an opportunity to meet in Gowanda between Ismailia ceremonials. In 1913 this group of young Nobles, and Nobles not so young, became imbued with the pervasive spirit of the Shrine and met and organized what is now thoroughly documented as the first Shrine Club in North America.

Chartered by and owing allegiance to Ismailia Temple of Buffalo, N.Y., this Club has weathered every storm of adversity and has been in continuous existence up to the present time.

The members today are spread over all North America and the Nobles take pride in their honorary membership in Gowanda Shrine Club No. 1, Oldest Shrine Club in North America.
November 3, 1959.

Mr. William J. Farrell, Secretary,
38 West Main Street,
Gowanda, New York.

Dear Noble,

Our Recorder Papry Bedford has requested that I write you pertaining to your Club's claim that it is the Number One Shrine Club of North America.

This matter has been discussed with the Imperial Recorder of the Shrine of North America and he states there is no reason whatsoever to doubt your Club's claim to that distinction and it is the perogative of the Potentate of Ismailia Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. to accept or reject your claim.

So therefore this letter will confirm my permission to your Gowanda Shrine Club to advertise and claim the distinction of being the Number One Shrine Club of North America.

Sincerely yours in the Faith

[Burt C. Brown]

Potentate.

R.O.F./MAI:
October 24, 1975

Dear Mr. Hastings:

President Ford very much appreciated your interest in inviting him through Vern Loen, to become a member of the Gowanda Shrine Club.

Because of the President's long-time interest in Shriner's activities, he was especially pleased to receive this thoughtful offer of membership. Only the requirements of a firm policy to limit participation in all organizations to an absolute minimum during his term of office prevent him for accepting your cordial invitation.

With the President's thanks and best wishes to you and to the members of the Gowanda Shrine Club,

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

The Honorable James F. Hastings
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

bcc: Vern Loen, Barry Roth, Bob Anderson

PWB:MAF:RLE:aby
October 14, 1975

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your letter of October 8 in which you request that the President accept a commemorative membership in the Gowanda Shrine Club.

I will be pleased to pass on your request for consideration and will be back in touch with you as soon as a decision has been made.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vernon C. Loen
Deputy Assistant
to the President

Honorable James F. Hastings
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

VCL:vh
bcc: Philip Buchen w/incoming for action and direct reply
Mr. Vernon C. Loen
Deputy Assistant to the President
for Congressional Affairs
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Vern:

The Gowanda Shrine Club, which prides itself on being the first club of this sort to be established in the Nation, would like to present President Ford with a commemorative membership to the club.

Therefore, I would appreciate your assistance in setting up an appropriate time, place and the like for the brief ceremony to take place. I understand that a member of my staff has already been in touch with someone in your office about this matter.

Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

JAMES F. HASTINGS
MEMBER OF CONGRESS
MEETING: Rep. Tennyson Guyer (R-Ohio)

DATE: Future Congressional Hour

PURPOSE: Rep. Guyer would like to present Dr. Hancho Cris Kim to the President in order that he may give him a Presidential portrait

FORMAT: Oval Office - 2 minutes

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Rep. Tennyson Guyer (R-Ohio)
Dr. Hancho Cris Kim (Lanham, Md.)
Vern Loen (staff)

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking points to be provided

PRESS COVERAGE: White House photographer

STAFF: Vern Loen

RECOMMEND: Max Friedersdorf

OPPOSED: NSC opposed an earlier proposal

BACKGROUND:
1. Dr. Hancho Kim is an important supporter of Rep. Guyer's and has been a heavy contributor to Findlay College in Guyer's district. Guyer is a top supporter of the President.

2. Dr. Kim is a native of South Korea and a supporter of President Park. A self-made American citizen now, he is a Lanham, Maryland, industrialist.

3. Rep. Guyer has promised that there will be no substantive discussion; just a picture opportunity with the President. This is very important to him.

APPROVE_________ DISAPPROVE_________

cc: NSC
Dear Max:

Dr. Hancho Cris Kim is a great admirer of the President, and a close personal friend of mine. He came to my home town of Findlay, Ohio with 50¢ in his pocket, and today has become a fine American citizen, outstanding business man, and a great friend of our country and our administration.

He was awarded an honorary doctorate by Findlay College and has given a generous contribution to our college to establish a Far East Center on our campus.

He is a frequent contributor to the New York Times and other publications.

He has a handsome picture of the President, and would very much like to give it to The President in person on Monday or Tuesday if possible. I would of course accompany him. It would take less than 5 minutes.

Thanks -
We May Be Too Weak Now To Be Anything But Strong

By Hanoko C. Kim

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In short, at a cost close to or only a bit over a quarter of the cost to us, our adversaries have concocted a type of warfare which has proved itself not vulnerable to even the most advanced non-nuclear armament.

Wash. D.C. April 22
To: Congressman Tennyson Guyer

From: Vern C. Loen

Please Handle

For Your Information

Per Our Conversation

Other:
April 8, 1975

Dear Dr. Kim:

The President has asked me to respond to your three letters of March 3. He deeply appreciates your courtesy in conveying to Mrs. Ford and him President Park's greetings and warm regards.

May I also thank you for your observations on the Republic of Korea's outstanding economic development of the past two decades, and on the recent referendum which President Park's Government conducted on its policies. As an experienced and informed observer of Korean affairs, your views are especially valued, and the President is grateful to you for bringing them to his attention.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Roland L. Elliott
Special Assistant
to the President

Dr. Hancho C. Kim
6404 Martin's Lane
Lanham, Maryland 20801

cc: Congressman Tennyson Guyer through Vern Loen/
Max Friedersdorf
THE WHITE HOUSE

Honorable Tennyson Guyer
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515
SCHEDULE PROPOSAL
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE: January 5, 1975
THRU: Max Friedersdorf
FROM: Vern Loen
VIA: Bill Nicholson

MEETING: Rep. Tennyson Guyer (R-Ohio)

DATE: Future Congressional Hour

PURPOSE: Rep. Guyer would like to present Dr. Hancho Cris Kim to the President in order that he may give him a Presidential portrait

FORMAT: Oval Office - 2 minutes

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Rep. Tennyson Guyer (R-Ohio)
Dr. Hancho Cris Kim (Lanham, Md.)
Vern Loen (staff)

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking points to be provided

PRESS COVERAGE: White House photographer

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APPROVE______ DISAPPROVE______

cc: NSC

DATE: February 10, 1976

PURPOSE: To attend a political fund-raising reception in honor of Congressman Brown at the International Club in Washington, D.C.

FORMAT: The International Club
         The President
         Rep. Clarence J. Brown

STAFF: Tom Loeffler

RECOMMEND: Max Friedersdorf

OPPOSED: None

BACKGROUND:
1. The Committee for Clarence J. Brown will be holding a Washington fund-raising reception for Congressman Brown on Tuesday, February 10, from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. in the International Club, located at 1800 K Street, N.W.

2. The Committee is primarily seeking the attendance of Washington lobbyists who represent national trade associations and corporations.

3. The Congressman is hopeful that the President will be present. If, however, it is impossible for the President to attend, Rep. Brown would very much appreciate any consideration Mrs. Ford would give to being his guest.

APPROVE ___________ DISAPPROVE ___

2/3/76 Tom called for me dictio on 2/3/76
January 6, 1976

Dear Jim:

This will acknowledge and thank you for your letter of January 2nd in which you extended an invitation for the President to attend the fund-raising reception to be held for Congressman Brown on February 10th.

Although the President does have a very heavy schedule, I have forwarded your request to the proper personnel and will be back in touch with you as soon as a decision has been made.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Thomas G. Loeffler
Special Assistant
for Legislative Affairs

Mr. James D. McIntire
Administrative Assistant
Honorable Clarence J. Brown
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

TGL:nd

bcc: Bill Nicholson along with a schedule proposal
January 2, 1976

Mr. Thomas Loeffler
Deputy Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Tom:

Per our conversation this morning, the Committee for Clarence J. Brown will hold a fund raising reception for Mr. Brown on Tuesday, February tenth, from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the International Club, 1800 K Street, NW.

The Committee is soliciting primarily the Washington lobbyists of both national trade associations and corporations which have Washington representatives.

Naturally, we are hopeful that President Ford will be able to attend, but if that does not work out we would very much appreciate any consideration Mrs. Ford would give to being our guest.

If you need further details, please let me know. As always, your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Best wishes for a happy and successful new year.

Sincerely,

James D. McIntire
Administrative Assistant

JMc/ss
December 31, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
THROUGH: VERN LOEN
FROM: TOM LOEFFLER
SUBJECT: Request from Rep. Clarence Brown (R. -Ohio)

In a recent conversation with Jim McIntyre (Administrative Assistant to Congressman Brown) and at the request of Congressman Brown, Jim stated that they planned a Washington fundraiser for the Congressman sometime in February. Bud Brown would be extremely honored and delighted if the President could attend this event.

I await your instructions concerning further actions.

Get date + details. Submit Schedule proposal thru m. to Bill Nicholson.

DATE: February 10, 1976

PURPOSE: To attend a political fund-raising reception in honor of Congressman Brown at the International Club in Washington, D. C.

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The President
Rep. Clarence J. Brown

STAFF: Tom Loeffler

RECOMMEND: Max Friedersdorf

OPPOSED: None

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APPROVE _____________ DISAPPROVE ___
MEETING WITH FORMER REP. WAYNE N. ASPINALL (D-Colo.)
Wednesday, January 21, 1976
12:15 p.m. (10 minutes)
The Oval Office

From: Charles Leppert, Jr. Via: Max L. Friedersdorf

I. PURPOSE


II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

1. Former Rep. Aspinall served as Chairman of the House Interior Committee for a period of fourteen years and was a chief architect of the Colorado River Basin program.

2. Former Rep. Aspinall by letter, requested a ten minute meeting with the President on problems of the Colorado River Basin program while in Washington, D.C. from January 15 to 22.

3. Aspinall wants to discuss the deferral of funding and construction of five Upper Colorado River Basin Reclamation projects on the basis of ongoing environmental salinity studies of the five Upper Basin projects.


B. Participants: The President
Former Rep. Wayne Aspinall
Charles Leppert, Jr. (staff)

C. Press Plan: White House Photographer
III. TALKING POINTS

1. Wayne, my 1977 budget provides sufficient funds for the five Upper Basin projects to proceed concurrently with the CAP (Central Arizona Project) so that my Administration is consistent with the Congressional intent expressed in the law authorizing these six projects.

2. At the present time, OMB, EPA, and the Department of the Interior are reviewing these projects and their impact on the salinity of the Colorado River.

3. Wayne, until these reviews are completed I cannot give you any assurances as to the future funding and construction of the five Upper Basin projects.
Fact Sheet
Upper Colorado Basin Reclamation Projects

Issue
What posture should the Administration adopt in the face of a request from former Congressman Wayne Aspinall and other interests in the State of Colorado that five Upper Colorado River Basin Reclamation Projects (Animas-LaPlata, Dolores, Dallas Creek, West Divide and San Miguel) be funded so that their construction can proceed concurrently with that of the Central Arizona Project (CAP).

Background
Public Law 90-537, the Colorado River Basin Project Act, directs the Secretary of the Interior to proceed as nearly as practicable with the construction of the five above mentioned Reclamation projects in the Upper Colorado Basin concurrently with the construction of CAP in the Lower Basin. The aim of this approach was to ensure that the Upper Basin projects would be completed not later than the date of the first delivery of water from CAP. One project is under construction, and four are being planned, as indicated below.

($ in 000)

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Discussion

The funding requests for these five projects in the 1977 budget are consistent with the Congressional intent expressed in P.L. 93-537, i.e., that these projects proceed concurrently with CAP. As planning proceeds on the four projects, however, there is growing concern that they may not be economically feasible, and that they may be increasing the salinity of the Colorado River to levels unacceptable under the provisions of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act administered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). A review of these projects and their impact on the salinity of the Colorado River is underway in OMB, EPA, and the Department of the Interior.

Conclusion

The 1977 budget provides sufficient funds for these five projects to proceed concurrently with CAP so that completion dates on all 6 projects can be dovetailed. However, in view of the uncertainties regarding salinity, possible EPA action under pollution control legislation and issues regarding economic merit, no commitment should be made at this time that future budget decisions will not delay the Upper Basin projects.
FACT SHEET

Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act (P.L. 93-320)

Background

The Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act of 1974 authorized the Secretary of the Interior - under Title I - to construct, operate and maintain a desalting complex capable of treating 129 million gallons a day of drain water from the Wellton-Mohawk division of the Gila River, Arizona reclamation project and - under Title II - to construct, operate, and maintain the following salinity control units as the initial stage of the Colorado River Basin salinity control program:

(1) Paradox Valley, Colorado
(2) Grand Valley Unit, Colorado
(3) Crystal Geyser Unit, Utah
(4) Las Vegas Wash Unit, Nevada

The Secretary was also authorized under Title II to expedite completion of the planning reports on 12 additional salinity control units.

Current Status

A. Title I

The President's FY 1977 budget request includes $42,600,000 to continue work on the Yuma, Arizona desalting complex authorized under Title I of the Act. The Yuma desalting complex is scheduled to be in operation by FY 1982. The principal contract to construct the desalting plant is scheduled for award in late FY 1978. The funding situation on Title I work is as follows:

($ in thousands)

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B. Title II

The 1977 budget includes $520,000 to complete preconstruction planning on the four salinity control projects authorized under Title II. These Title II projects will be ready for construction on the completion of advance planning in either late FY 1977 or FY 1978.
The current funding status on the four Title II projects is as follows:

($) in thousands)

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Of the 12 additional salinity control units authorized for feasibility studies under Title II, two feasibility reports - Littlefield Springs and La Verkin Springs - will be completed in FY 1976, and the FY 1977 budget also funds a feasibility study on the Big Sandy unit.
January 16, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: CHARLES LEPPERT, JR.

FROM: WILLIAM W. NICHOLSON

SUBJECT: Approved Presidential Activity

Please take the necessary steps to implement the following and confirm with Mrs. Nell Yates, ext. 2699. The appropriate briefing paper should be submitted to Dr. David Hoopes by 4:00 p.m. of the preceding day.

Meeting: With Former Congressman Wayne N. Aspinall (D-Colo.)

Date: Wed., Jan. 21, '76  Time: 12:15 p.m.  Duration: 10 mins.

Location: The Oval Office

Press Coverage: White House Photographer

Purpose: Opportunity for Former Representative Aspinall to discuss problems of the Colorado River Basin Program generally and the salinity problem in particular.

cc: Mr. Cheney
    Mr. Hartmann
    Mr. Marsh
    Dr. Connor
    Dr. Hoopes
    Mr. Nessen
    Mr. Jones
    Mr. O'Donnell
    Mrs. Yates
    Mr. Loen
    Mr. Friedersdorf
    Mr. Cannon
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

DATE: January 12, 1976
FROM: Charles Leppert, Jr.
THRU: Max L. Friedersdorf
VIA: Bill Nicholson

MEETING: Former Rep. Wayne N. Aspinall (D-Colo.)

DATE: January 15 through January 22, 1976


FORMAT: The Oval Office (10 minutes)

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Former Rep. Wayne Aspinall
Charles Leppert, Jr. (staff)

SPEECH MATERIAL: None

PRESS COVERAGE: White House Photographer

STAFF: Charles Leppert, Jr.

RECOMMEND: Jack Marsh

OPPOSED: None

BACKGROUND:

1. Former Rep. Aspinall served as Chairman of the House Interior Committee for a period of fourteen years and was a chief architect of the Colorado River Basin program.

2. Former Rep. Aspinall wrote on January 5 requesting a ten minute meeting with the President on these matters while Aspinall is in Washington, D.C. from January 15 to 22.

3. The President during visits to Vail, Colorado and Rifle, Colorado has requested Aspinall to meet with him or has telephoned Aspinall who now resides in Grand Junction, Colorado.

4. Aspinall wants to briefly discuss the deferral of construction and funding of the Upper Basin projects authorized in the 1968 Colorado River Basin Projects Act on the basis of the salinity problems.

APPROVE _______________  DISAPPROVE _______________
January 5, 1976

Mr. Charles Leppert
Office of Legislative Liaison
to the House of Representatives
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Charlie:

I am planning to be in our National Capitol the week of January 15th to January 22nd. I shall be staying either at the Hay-Adams or at the Carlton. If it is at all possible, I would like to call and see you for a few minutes, and also I would appreciate it if it can be arranged to have about ten minutes with the President. While with the President, I would like to speak with him briefly about some of the problems of the Colorado River Basin program. Particularly, that which has to do with the studies going on on the salinity problems.

Sincerely,

Wayne N. Aspinall

WNA/vp
THE WHITE HOUSE SCHEDULE PROPOSAL
WASHINGTON

DATE: January 12, 1976
FROM: Charles Leppert, Jr.
THRU: Max L. Friedersdorf
VIA: Bill Nicholson

MEETING: Former Rep. Wayne N. Aspinall (D-Colo.)

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FORMAT: The Oval Office (10 minutes)

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Former Rep. Wayne Aspinall
Charles Leppert, Jr. (staff)

SPEECH MATERIAL: None

PRESS COVERAGE: White House Photographer

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1. Former Rep. Aspinall served as Chairman of the House Interior Committee for a period of fourteen years and was a chief architect of the Colorado River Basin program.

2. Former Rep. Aspinall wrote on January 5 requesting a ten minute meeting with the President on these matters while Aspinall is in Washington, D.C. from January 15 to 22.

3. The President during visits to Vail, Colorado and Rifle, Colorado has requested Aspinall to meet with him or has telephoned Aspinall who now resides in Grand Junction, Colorado.

4. Aspinall wants to briefly discuss the deferral of construction and funding of the Upper Basin projects authorized in the 1968 Colorado River Basin Projects Act on the basis of the salinity problems.

APPROVE _______________ DISAPPROVE _______________
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEETING: Meet with Senator Pete Domenici and Representative Manuel Lujan, Jr. to discuss New Mexico problems.

DATE: Week of January 26, 1976 at the President's convenience.

PURPOSE: Senator Domenici and Representative Lujan have some local projects which they believe are important to them and the President.

FORMAT: -location: The Oval Office
-participants: The President, Senator Domenici, Representative Lujan, William Kendall, Vern Loen, and James Lynn
-expected length of participation: 20 minutes

CABINET PARTICIPATION: None

SPEECH MATERIAL: None

PRESS COVERAGE: White House photo only

STAFF: William Kendall, Vern Loen, and James Lynn

RECOMMEND: Max L. Friedersdorf

OPPOSED: Unknown

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: None

BACKGROUND: The New Mexico delegation wants to discuss the following projects specifically: The proposed Solar Research Center at Albuquerque; the V.A. Hospital at Albuquerque; and the roads in Farmington, N.M. which have been the subject of discussion with OMB.

APPROVE _______ DISAPPROVE _______
MEMORANDUM

DATE: Jan 22, 1976
FROM: WTK
THRU: Max
VIA: Bill Nicholson

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEETING: Meet with Senator Domenici and Congressman Lujan to discuss New Mexico problems.

DATE: Week of Jan 26 at Pres convenience

PURPOSE: Senator D and Congressman L have some local projects which they believe are important to them and the Pres

FORMAT: location - Oval Office
Participants - Sen D, Cong L, WTK, VL, Jnes, Lynn

CABINET PART: NONE

SPEECH MATERIAL: none

Press Coverage: none - whpoto only

STAFF: Kendall and Loen and Lynn

RECOMMEND: Max

OPPOSED: unknown

PREV PART: NONE

BACKGROUND: The New Mexico delegation wants to discuss the following project specifically: The proposed Solar Research Center at Albuquerque; the V. A. Hospital at Albuquerque; and the roads in Farmington, N.M. which have been the subject of discussion with OMB.

Approv Disapprov
February 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: VERN LOEN
SUBJECT: M.C. Margaret M. Heckler (R-Mass.)

Rep. Peggy Heckler called to renew her request that the attached proposal be scheduled as soon as possible.

I assured her we would do our best, probably at the next Congressional Hour.
MEETING: Rep. Margaret M. Heckler (R-Mass.) and five leaders of the Lebanese-American Heritage group

DATE: As soon as possible

PURPOSE: To enable this group to express their concerns about the conflict in Beirut

FORMAT: The Oval Office - 10 minutes

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Rep. Margaret M. Heckler (R-Mass.)
(Names of the 5 Lebanese-American leaders to be furnished)
Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft (NSC)
Vern Loen (staff)

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking points to be provided by NSC

PRESS COVERAGE: Announce to press - White House photographer only

STAFF: Vern Loen

RECOMMEND: Max Friedersdorf

BACKGROUND:

1. Rep. Peggy Heckler requested this meeting because she has a large contingent of Lebanese-Americans in her district.

2. The five leaders would be coming from all parts of the country, so some advance notification time would be required.

3. They would not expect any Presidential action as a result of the meeting other than perhaps the issuance of a statement deploring the violence.

APPROVE___________ DISAPPROVE___________

cc: NSC
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
Date: 10-29-75

TO: Vern

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf

For Your Information

Please Handle ☑

Please See Me

Comments, Please

Other

P.S. see Rigs submit schedule proposal.
MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: JACK MARSH

Congresswoman Margaret Heckler would like to set up a meeting with the President for the leaders of the Lebanese community. This group understands that the President is limited in what he can say about the situation in Lebanon but hopes he can issue a moral statement against the violence there.

I would be grateful if a member of your staff would follow up with an inquiry to her for more particulars.

Many thanks.
MEMORANDUM FOR: BILL NICHOLSON

THROUGH: MAX FRIEDERSDORF

FROM: VERN LOEN

SUBJECT: Rep. Margaret M. Heckler (R-Mass.)
Schedule Proposal of October 29, 1975

The following six (6) names were submitted by Rep. Margaret M. Heckler (R-Mass.) as participants in the above requested meeting with the President.

1. His Excellency, Francis M. Zayek, Bishop of the Diocese
   St. Maron, Detroit, Michigan.

2. Anthony Abraham, President of the Lebanese Cultural Association
   of the United States, Coral Gables, Florida.

3. Reverend Joseph Joseph, Pastor of the St. John Maron Church,
   Williamsville, New York.

4. Monsour J. Ferris, Chairman of SAVE LEBANON, Fall River, Mass.

5. Mrs. Loretta George, Chief Liaison Officer for SAVE LEBANON,
   Fall River, Mass.

6. Dr. Eli Saadi, M.D., President of the National Apostolic of
   Maronites, Youngstown, Ohio.

Although the original request was for five (5) people, hopefully all six (6) can be included.

I am attaching a copy of the Schedule Proposal for your information.

cc: NSC
The White House
Washington

2/2/76 - Will have to ship
To a later date per
O. Lepkev
MEETING:
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE:
February 2, 1976

PURPOSE:
To report to the President on their trip to Columbia, Costa Rica, Mexico and Panama and the drug situation.

FORMAT:
The Oval Office - 30 minutes

PARTICIPANTS:
The President
Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger
Rep. Benjamin Gilman (R-NY)
Rep. Peter Rodino (D-NJ)
Rep. Lester Wolff (D-NY)
Rep. Charles Rangel (D-NY)
Rep. Morgan Murphy (D-III)
Charles Leppert, Jr. (staff)
Dick Parsons (staff)

CABINET PARTICIPATION: Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL:
DATE: February 2, 1976
FROM: Charles Leppert
THRU: Max L. Friedersdorf
VIA: Bill Nicholson

SPEECH MATERIAL:
Talking points

PRESS COVERAGE:
White House Photographer only

STAFF:
Charles Leppert, Jr.

RECOMMEND:
Max L. Friedersdorf

OPPOSED:
None

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION:
President met with the same group on December 22, 1975 prior to their trip.

BACKGROUND:

1. Rep. Wolff on behalf of the group would like to discuss first-hand with the President the drug situation as they found it in these various countries.
BACKGROUND: (continued)

2. Reps. Wolff and Gilman feel they were able to do certain things in Mexico which should be brought to the President's attention and to convey to the President the views of each head of state on the drug situation.

APPROVE ________________  DISAPPROVE ________________
| House       | Write about the agreement reached in their meeting with the President of Mexico "to establish a joint working group to coordinate a wide spectrum of agencies and groups dealing with narcotics problems in each of our nations. It was at this meeting with President Echeverria that he asked us to deliver to you his personal message regarding this proposal." The Congressmen say "it is of the utmost importance that we meet with you in order to discuss the United States' participation in this effort and the formulation of guidelines for the success of this joint venture."
|---|---|
| 2. Dante Fascell       | Says nine months have elapsed since the Subcommittee on International Political and Military Affairs began its investigation of the seizure of the Mayagüez, "and the Executive branch is still withholding both a number of documents and also types of information from the Subcommittee and from the General Accounting Office which are important to our inquiry." Solicits "your assistance in making this information available."
| 3. Elliott Levitas       | Disappointed that the Administration's social security tax rate increase proposals were not "coupled with recommendations to completely reappraise the system with an eye toward eventual overhaul." Believes the system as now constructed is actuarially unsound. Feels that raising the tax rate or broadening the tax base "are at best only interim measures which do not confront the problems inherent in the system and only postpone rather than present a solution." Sends material on his legislation, H.J. Res. 291, to establish a National Commission on Social Security to make recommendations in three major areas. Hopes he will have the President's support in working for an "expeditious and comprehensive solution to the ills of this vital program."
| 4. William Steiger       | Urges that S.J. Res. 121, relating to dairy price supports, be signed and wants the opportunity to talk with the President on this. |
MEMORANDUM FOR: BILL KENDALL
          VERN LOEN
FROM: BOB WOLTHUIS
SUBJECT: Medals of Honor Ceremony
          Thursday, March 4 - 2 pm

February 21, 1976

Max has signed off on the list of Congressional invitees. Would you please have those calls made.

Please have the acceptances and regrets called to Jane.

Thank you.
MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MAX FRIEDERSDORF

FROM: CAPTAIN KOLLMORGEN

The President is scheduled to present Medals of Honor to four U. S. servicemen in a ceremony to be held in the East Room of the White House on Thursday, March 4, 1976 at 2:00 p.m.

It is anticipated that present will be members of the immediate families, officials from the Department of Defense and Congressional representation. The ceremony will have live press coverage.

The Department of Defense has recommended that the members of Congress listed on the attached sheet be invited to the ceremony.

Those accepting your invitation should arrive at the Southwest Gate, proceeding to the Diplomatic Reception Room, at 1:40 p.m.

Please provide Major Barrett, the Army Aide to the President, with a list of acceptances by 2 March.
FAMILY GUEST LISTS

Rear Admiral James Bond Stockdale, U.S. Navy
Date of birth: 23 December 1923
Place of birth: Abingdon, Illinois
Home address: 547 A Avenue, Coronado, CA 92118

Wife Sybil Bailey Stockdale
547 A Avenue
Coronado, CA 92118

Son Taylor Burr Stockdale
(age 14)
547 A Avenue
Coronado, CA 92118

Son Sidney Bailey Stockdale
(age 21)
807 North Custer St.
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Son Stanford Baker Stockdale
(age 16)
South Kent School
South Kent, CT 06785

Son James Bond Stockdale, II
(age 25)
158 1/2 North Sandusky
Delaware, OH 43015

Daughter-in- Mariana Call Stockdale
Law (age 23)
158 1/2 North Sandusky
Delaware, OH 43015

Washington Escort Officer - LT Gordon C. Jackson, USN
Telephone 433-2231

Lieutenant Thomas Rolland Norris, USNR-Ret
Date of birth: 14 January 1944
Place of birth: Jacksonville, Florida
Home address: 8910 Walden Road, Silver Spring, MD 20901

Father Rolland Webb Norris
8910 Walden Road
Silver Spring, MD 20901

Mother Irene Harriet Norris
8910 Walden Road
Silver Spring, MD 20901

Brother James Henry Norris
8910 Walden Road
Silver Spring, MD 20901

Brother Kenneth Webb Norris
11608 Kingsarrow Court
Germantown, MD 20767

Washington Escort Officer - Ensign Diana R. Caddy, USN
Telephone 433-2572
FAMILY GUEST LIST (Contd)

Captain Lance P. Sijan's family

• Father Sylvester Sijan 2751 S Shore Drive Milwaukee, WI 53207
  Mother Jane A. Sijan 2751 S Shore Drive Milwaukee, WI 53207
  Brother Marc F. Sijan 2539 S Shore Drive Milwaukee, WI 53207
  Sister Janine Rozina 2547 S Shore Drive Milwaukee, WI 53207
  Brother-in-law Thomas C. Rozina 2547 S Shore Drive Milwaukee, WI 53207

Field Escort Officer - Captain Michael D. Singer
  Telephone AC 217  893-9255

Washington Escort Officer - Major Jackie W. Drummond
  and Mrs. Drummond
  Telephone 697-7880

WILL RECEIVE AWARD

Colonel George E. Day, USAF
  Date of birth: 24 February 1925
  Place of birth: Sioux City, Iowa
  Home address: 102 Palm Circle, Eglin AFB, FL 32580

Wife Doris M. Day 102 Palm Circle
  Eglin AFB, FL 32580

Son (age 20) Steven M. Day 102 Palm Circle
  Eglin AFB, FL 32580

Son (age 13) George E. Day, Jr. 102 Palm Circle
  Eglin AFB, FL 32580

Daughter (age 11) Sandra M. Day 102 Palm Circle
  Eglin AFB, FL 32580

Daughter (age 11) Sonja M. Day 102 Palm Circle
  Eglin AFB, FL 32580
Please call Bob Wilson's office to determine by the street address if Stockdale is in his or Van Deerlin's District. Wilson is invited in any case, because of his Cmte assignment, but Van Deerlin may be eliminated as to whose district it is.
Congressmen from States of Recipients:

**RADM STOCKDALE**

**CA:** Senator Alan Cranston
Senator John V. Tunney
Representative Lionel Van Deerlin

**IL:** Senator Charles H. Percy
Senator Adlai E. Stevenson
Representative Robert H. Michel

**LT NORRIS**

**MD:** Senator Charles M. Mathias, Jr.
Senator J. Glenn Beall, Jr.
Representative Gladys N. Spellman

**COL DAY**

**AZ:** Senator Paul J. Fannin
Senator Barry Goldwater
Representative Sam Steiger

**CAPT SIJAN**

**WI:** Senator William Proxmire
Senator Gaylord Nelson
Representative Clement J. Zablocki

Other Congressional Invitees:

- Senator Mike Mansfield, Senate Majority Leader
- Senator Hugh Scott, Senate Minority Leader
- Senator John C. Stennis, Chairman, Senate Armed Services Committee
- Senator John L. McClellan, Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee
- Senator Strom Thurmond, Ranking Minority Member, Senate Armed Services Committee
- Senator Milton R. Young, Ranking Minority Member, Senate Appropriations Committee
- Senator Lawton M. Chiles, Jr., Senate Appropriations Committee

*Also appears on page 2*
Other Congressional Invitees: (Contd)

Senator Stuart Symington, Senate Armed Services Committee
(First Secretary of the Air Force)
Senator John G. Tower, Senate Armed Services Committee
Senator Sam Nunn, Senate Armed Services Committee
Senator Howard W. Cannon, Senate Armed Services Committee
(Air Force Reserve Major General)
Senator Richard B. Stone, Agriculture and Forestry Committee
Representative Melvin Price, Chairman, House Armed Services Committee
Representative George H. Mahon, Chairman, House Appropriations Committee
Representative Carl Albert, Speaker of the House
Representative Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., House Majority Leader
Representative John J. Rhodes, House Minority Leader
Representative F. Edward Hebert, House Armed Services Committee
Representative Bob Wilson, House Armed Services Committee
Representative William L. Dickinson, House Armed Services Committee
Representative Samuel S. Stratton, House Armed Services Committee
Representative G. V. (Sonny) Montgomery, House Armed Services Committee
Representative Elford A. Cederberg, House Appropriations Committee
Representative Jack Edwards, House Appropriations Committee
Representative Robert L. F. Sikes, House Appropriations Committee
Representative John B. Conlan, Banking, Currency and Housing Committee
MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 6, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

WHCA Press Office Sheila Weidenfeld
EPS Visitor's Office Maria Downs
USSS Doctor's Office Susan Porter
Usher's Office Photo Office Congressional Liaison Office

FROM: Captain L. S. Kollmorgen

SUBJECT: Medal of Honor Ceremony

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Refreshments will be served to guests after the ceremony.

A special tour of the White House for the recipients and family members will be held after refreshments.
MEMORANDUM FOR: BILL NICHOLSON
THROUGH: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: VERN LOEN
SUBJECT: M. C. Lindy Boggs (D-La.)

Mrs. Boggs, a dear friend of the President and First Lady, has requested that the Honorable Jimmy E. Fitzmorris of New Orleans, Lt. Governor of Louisiana, be afforded a brief courtesy call on the President on the afternoon of Thursday, March 5.

Mr. Fitzmorris will be making one of his rare trips to Washington to participate in the Louisiana Bicentennial Day on that date. He will be representing Governor Edwin Edwards.

According to Mrs. Boggs, Mr. Fitzmorris has an extremely large following in Louisiana having been re-elected almost by acclamation last year. He is especially well known for his volunteer work in Church, veterans affairs and charitable causes.

Mrs. Boggs would accompany him on the visit if it is approved. They will be tied up with Bicentennial activities between 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., so late afternoon would be preferable. If there is any possibility of this being approved, I will be glad to prepare a schedule proposal.