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Thursday 11/6/75

12:45 Mr. Buchen talked to Fred Warner Neal and advised that Larry Eagleburger would get a speaker -- either the Vice President or Daniel Moynihan.



Letter
from
Fred Neal

in case you
want to

reply

further

where is
your
signature
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 24, 1975

FOR: Philip Buchen

FROM: Brent Scowcroft



I have held this until I was absolutely certain of the dates for the China trip.

The President will be departing for China November 28 and it will therefore be impossible for him to participate in the Pacem in Terris Convocation.

Attachment

*Mr. Buchen
talked w/
Fred Neal.*



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 29, 1975

*For
J. W. B.*

MEMORANDUM FOR: GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT
FROM: PHILIP BUCHEN *P.W.B.*
SUBJECT: Participation by the President
in the Pacem in Terris Convocation

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 19, 1975

TO: Mr. Fred Warner Neal

FROM: Eva Daughtrey *Eva*

Mr. Buchen asked me to forward the attached copy of a letter from the Scheduling Office, which you requested in your letter of September 15.

Sorry for the mixup.

August 29, 1975

Dear Mr. Neal:

Philip Buchen forwarded your letter of August 12, together with his strong personal recommendation, in which you invite the President to participate in the Pacem in Terris IV Convocation on American Foreign Policy to begin on Tuesday morning, December 2nd.

The President was pleased to receive this cordial invitation but I am sure you can understand it is too soon to commit his schedule so far in the future. It will be carried forward, however, for careful consideration as the December schedule is developed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

William W. Nicholson
Deputy Director
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September 15, 1975

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Phil:

Thank you for your letter of September 3. I appreciate very much your kindness and cooperation, both in regard to the Pacem in Terris IV Convocation and to the interest of the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations regarding Trade Act amendments. In connection with it, let me raise two points:

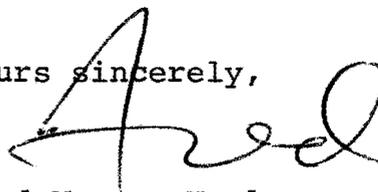
1. I did not receive a letter from the scheduling office in the White House, as indicated in your letter. Somehow, it seems to have gone astray. I would appreciate a copy.

2. I did receive the letter from Mr. Seidman in reply to my letter on the Trade Act amendments. I was hopeful that, as Chairman of the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations, I might have received a reply directly from the President, which would enormously enhance the public impact of our position. I think that Carl Marcy is getting in touch with Friedersdorf about this. He is conferring regularly with Vestine at the Treasury Department, also.

Regarding the Pacem in Terris Convocation, to bring you up to date on developments: as you know, Kissinger has accepted the invitation to open it the first full day, December 2. I think, but I am not sure, that we will have Senator Kennedy on the same program. Secretary of Defense Schlesinger and Rep. Aspin both have accepted invitations to discuss the military problems of detente; Senator Church and William Colby of the CIA both have accepted the invitation to discuss the relation of foreign policy to the democratic process. At the present time, I have a scheduling problem regarding Secretary Simon's participation on the impact of foreign policy on the domestic economy, but I am hopeful I can work it out. He probably will be speaking with Galbraith. I haven't yet heard anything definite from Pat Moynihan. The rest of the program stands as I earlier outlined it to you.

In regard to the President's participation, let me say again that if it would be advantageous, I would be pleased to come to Washington at any time to discuss it.

Yours sincerely,



Fred Warner Neal

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 3, 1975

Dear Fred:

After receiving your telephone call and your letter of August 25, I immediately requested Brent Scowcroft to review your suggestion and let you or me know whether the arrangements you propose are feasible. I have also received since then copy of the letter to you from the Scheduling Office that your proposal is in line for consideration.

On your inquiry about the status of your Trade Acts Amendments letter, I find it was referred to Bill Seidman as the Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs, and I am advised he wrote to you in behalf of the President on August 20.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

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cc: Philip Buchen FYI
cc: w/incmg to M. Widner

2ccs Nancy Gemmell

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August 25, 1975

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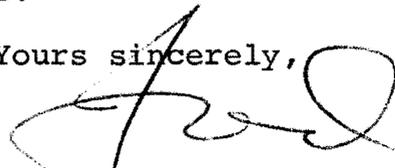
Dear Phil:

Would you please look at the enclosed letter to the President. I honestly do think that if there is no special reason to have the Brezhnev visit in October or November, that there would be enormous advantages to everybody in having it the first week in December so that both the President and the Chairman could address the Pacem in Terris Convocation. This will be a very large and significant gathering and I think it would focus the attention on the President's foreign policy of precisely a large middle group whose support it is imperative to enlist.

As I said in the letter to the President, this suggestion is made on the assumption that there would be no significant advantage to the Administration in having the Brezhnev visit in October or November instead of the first week in December.

If you think this suggestion has any merit, I would very much appreciate your seeing that it is brought to the President's attention as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,



Fred Warner Neal

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August 26, 1975

President Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Ford:

I write regarding the Pacem in Terris IV Convocation which you have been invited to address on December 1 and about which I sent a detailed memorandum on August 12 to Phil Buchen. As you know, we have invited both you and Chairman Brezhnev to address the Convocation on the topic of the future of American-Soviet detente. We are strongly persuaded that these addresses before such a large and distinguished audience, nationally televised and followed as they will be by an address by Secretary Kissinger the next morning, would provide an important medium for putting the whole problem of detente in perspective and a strong base of support for the Administration's policy.

We would like to hold this Pacem in Terris Convocation in Washington at the time of Brezhnev's visit. Since the uncertainties regarding the date of the visit have been considerable, we decided we would have to plan it firmly for the first week in December and propose that Brezhnev address it (following your own address) via Telstar. It now has occurred to me that the advantages of having both you and Chairman Brezhnev address the Convocation "live" would be so great that perhaps it would be possible for you to arrange the Brezhnev visit so that he could be in Washington December 1. I make this suggestion on the assumption that there would be no particular advantage to you in having the visit necessarily at an earlier date.

I am conveying the same suggestion to Secretary Kissinger and to Ambassador Dobrynin.

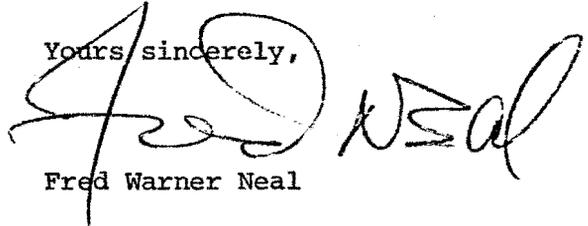
While I write the above paragraphs in my capacity as chief arranger for the Pacem in Terris IV Convocation, you will recall that I also am Chairman of the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations, which, of course, has nothing to do with the Convocation. In this latter capacity, I would like to say that if it should prove impossible to have the Brezhnev visit the first week in December, then the American Committee would be pleased to arrange any sort of meeting, either public or private, for you and Brezhnev that you might think would be advantageous and desirable.

President Ford
August 26, 1975
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Please let me state in concluding that I think your performance at Helsinki, as well as your recent address to the American Legion convention, were indeed admirable.

With all good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'F' followed by 'W' and 'Neal' in a cursive script.

Fred Warner Neal

FWN:dr

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 22, 1975

*Need
Fred
Warner*

MEMORANDUM FOR: WARREN RUSTAND

FROM: PHILIP BUCHEN *P.W.B.*

SUBJECT: Participation by the President
in Pacem in Terris IV
Convocation

Attached is a memo dated August 12 which was sent to me by Fred Warner Neal, who is affiliated with the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions. Attached also is a copy of an earlier letter to the President of July 23 from Robert Hutchins, President of the Center. As you can see, the group has already enlisted participation by key government officials, and I believe it most appropriate if the President can open the Convocation.

cc: General Scowcroft



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August 12, 1975

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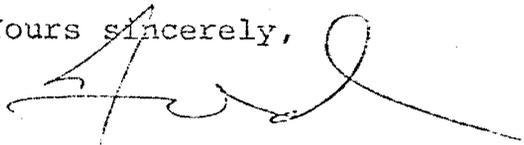
Dear Phil:

I hope the attached memorandum is the kind of thing you have in mind. Just to be sure you have it on hand, I attach also a copy of the original invitation to President Ford which I believe you conveyed to him back in June. As you can see from the brief survey of the program, most of the leading figures of the Administration concerned with foreign policy matters will be taking part. There is no doubt in my mind that the President's participation would be an enormously significant contribution, both to the clarification of issues generally and to getting across to a large and important segment of the population what his own ideas are. There will be give-and-take during the program, naturally, but I can only see the whole thing as an asset from the point of view of the Administration. I will appreciate anything that you can do to make sure that the invitation to the President is seriously and favorably considered. I could come back east at any time to discuss it with the President or yourself or anybody else if there were questions which cannot be handled by correspondence or on the telephone.

As you can see, I had a rather successfull--if hectic--trip east in terms of discussions with various people. As indicated in the memorandum, Kissinger has agreed to take part and is indeed helping me with other aspects of the meeting. So have Colby and Church. Jerry Parskie is handling affairs for Secretary Simon and Parskie himself will take part in one of the sessions as a discussant. I was not able to see Schlesinger but explored the matter fully with his executive assistant Andy Marshall whom I knew from his days in the Rand Corporation out here.

I appreciate very much your assistance in this matter--
and am glad that it has been a means for bringing us together.
I look forward to seeing you before too long.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Fred Warner Neal', written in dark ink.

Fred Warner Neal

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enc.



Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions

THE FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC, INC.

Box 4068, Santa Barbara, California 93103

August 12, 1975

Memorandum regarding President Ford's Participation in Pacem in Terris IV Convocation

This follows up the July 13 letter of Robert M. Hutchins, President of the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, to President Ford inviting him to open the Pacem in Terris IV Convocation on American Foreign Policy. This memorandum brings our planning on this matter up to date.

The Convocation, as with other Pacem in Terris conferences in the past, will be sponsored by the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions. In addition, Mr. Randolph Compton, former Chairman of Kidder, Peabody and President of the Fund for Peace, has arranged for the Fund to join the Center as an additional sponsor.

Our plan is to hold the Convocation in Washington, December 1 through 4, in the Sheraton Park Hotel (which is the only public place in Washington with an auditorium large enough). We are hopeful that the President will be able to open the Convocation the evening of Monday, December 1, at 8:00 p.m. Assuming the President's concurrence, we are inviting Chairman Brezhnev of the Soviet Union to follow Mr. Ford with an address in Moscow transmitted to the Convocation by Telstar.

(If we were to know soon enough that Chairman Brezhnev will be visiting the United States in late October/early November, we would like to invite both the President and Mr. Brezhnev to address the Convocation "live" in Washington. But since it now appears unlikely that we will know definitely about the Brezhnev visit in time to complete the elaborate planning needed for such a big meeting, we are planning on the December date). I have discussed with Ambassador Dobrynin Mr. Brezhnev's appearance at the Convocation as well as an address by Telstar. Mr. Dobrynin is of the opinion that either would be favorably considered as long as, of course, it would be amenable to the President.

The first full day of the Convocation would begin Tuesday morning, December 2, featuring an address by Secretary of State Kissinger, "Detente in Practice." Secretary Kissinger has accepted this assignment. We expect he would be joined by former Senator Fulbright or another person of equal stature acceptable to both the Secretary of State and myself. Following these addresses, there would be a discussion of the issues raised by former Secretary of State Rusk, former Ambassador Kennan, Senator Javits and Richard Barnett. These discussants are acceptable to Secretary Kissinger.

The second session would feature a discussion on military problems of detente by Secretary of Defense Schlesinger and Rep. Aspin. Secretary Schlesinger has agreed to consider favorably the invitation to address the Convocation, but we do not yet have a formal commitment from him. The issues raised would then be discussed by a panel consisting of Admirals Zumwalt and La Rocque, President Wiesner of MIT and either Fred Ikle of the U.S. Arms Control Agency or former Secretary of Defense Clifford.

The third session would see William Colby, Director of the CIA and Senator Church discussing the relationships of national security and domestic economy (Secretary Simon has been invited to participate) and the transnational aspects of international affairs. This latter would feature, inter alia, Ambassador Moynihan and Robert Anderson, Chairman of ARCO. The final session would discuss the key foreign policy issues which should be raised in the 1976 presidential campaign. Here, we would expect as participants Senators Mansfield, Scott and Kennedy and possibly former Governors Reagan and McCall.

As with previous Pacem in Terris convocations, we will have an audience of from 3,000 to 4,000 persons who will be present by invitation and will include persons of significance in public affairs, religion and scholarship from all over the country. The entire Convocation will be broadcast on the public television. At Pacem in Terris III, the major addresses--such as those by Secretary Kissinger and Senator Fulbright--were covered live on the commercial television networks, and we would expect the networks would want to cover an address by the President this time.

The planning that goes into an undertaking of this scope is considerable, and it would be of the greatest assistance to us to have confirmation of the President's participation at the earliest possible moment.

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*President's Scheduling
Nealy, Fred*

July 21, 1975

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Phil:

I very much appreciated your letter of July 7.

You will recall that one of the things we discussed when we met in Washington in June was a letter I would write to the President on behalf of the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations concerning amendments to the Trade Act. I enclose this letter herewith and would be very grateful if you would see it reaches the President's eyes. I expect that other members of the Committee may be sending similar letters to the White House within the next two weeks or so.

I think it would help the effort we have in mind--which, of course, is to get behind the President on this matter--if the contents of the letter were made public. If you should agree to this, it would be splendid if it could be released by the White House. If you would prefer, however, the Committee itself could make the letter public. In this case, of course, we would do so only with the express approval of the White House.

The second thing we talked about was the idea of President Ford addressing the Pacem in Terris IV Convocation on foreign policy. Plans for this are proceeding. I would like very much to explain to you a little more what the content of the program would be and our ideas for timing as well as to discuss the whole matter of the possibility that the President can address the Convocation. I am going to be in Washington the week of July 28 and would appreciate it if it could be arranged for me to get together with you for a few minutes on the 28th or as early thereafter in that week as possible. In the eventuality that you might not be there that week, I would certainly try to arrange to come at some other time.

Yours sincerely,

Fred
Fred Warner Neal



THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
U.S. - SOVIET RELATIONS

Claremont Graduate School
Claremont, California 91711
July 21, 1975

President Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I write on behalf of the Executive Committee of the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations, of which I am Chairman, urging you to take the initiative in proposing remedial legislation to the Trade Act. The Committee was greatly encouraged by the warm support of our efforts expressed in your letter to me of October 30, 1974, and thoroughly approves your stated positions on the matter of the Trade Act. We now would like to assist in all possible ways efforts to amend it.

In your April 10 World Message you described such legislation as being "urgently needed in our national interest." You pointed out that the "use of trade and economic sanctions to alter the internal conduct of other nations must...be seriously reexamined.... However well-intentioned the goals,... they have damaged our foreign policy." As a result of Soviet refusal "to put into effect the important 1972 trade agreement between our two countries...Western Europe and Japan have stepped into the breach...and...have extended credits to the Soviet Union exceeding \$8 billion in the last six months. These are economic opportunities--jobs and business--which could have gone to Americans." You also pointed out that the restrictive portions of the legislation "not only harmed our relations with the Soviet Union but seriously complicated the prospects of those seeking to emigrate. The favorable trend, aided by quiet diplomacy, by which immigration increased from 400 in 1968 to over 33,000 in 1973, has been seriously set back. Remedial legislation is urgently needed in our national interest."

You referred to these same provisions on May 1, 1975, in your Annual Report to the Congress on the Trade Agreements program. You expressed reservations about one of the provisions relating to restrictions on trade with the Soviet



July 21, 1975

Union. You said that failure to put the trade agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union into effect "constitutes an unfortunate setback to normalization of our economic relations with that country. "In a spirit of cooperation with the Congress," the message continued, "I am hopeful that a solution to this problem can be found."

We had hoped that, consistent with your messages, and in support thereof, some initiative for this remedial legislation would come from the Congress. We have so urged, thus far without success.

We are hopeful that your Administration will now take the initiative in this area of our economic relations with the Soviet Union. The detente relationship so successfully pursued heretofore must not be permitted to deteriorate to the damage of our foreign policy.

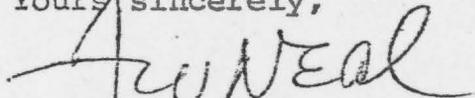
We also believe that the Administration should move rapidly in this regard. We are concerned that Soviet trade not become an emotional issue in the forthcoming presidential election year. We believe also vigorous leadership now on this subject would do much to strengthen your position when Mr. Brezhnev visits the United States later this year.

The American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations, as you know, represents a broad spectrum of citizens, from left to right, from Republicans to Democrats, from labor to industry. I attach a list of the present membership with the members of the Executive Committee underlined.

We are prepared, Mr. President, to assist you and your Administration in re-examination of the Trade Agreement Act amendments as well as other legislation which aids detente with the Soviet Union.

We would appreciate your guidance as to whether you contemplate such initiatives in the near future.

Yours sincerely,



Fred Warner Neal
Chairman, Executive Committee
American Committee on U.S.-
Soviet Relations

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1975

*Neal,
Fred
Warner*

Dear Fred:

Many thanks for your letter of June 13 in which you enclosed a letter from Chairman Hutchins of The Center inviting the President to address The Center's foreign policy convocation and enclosing a copy of the Pacem in Terris.

I have passed on the letter for the President to General Brent Scowcroft who is Henry Kissinger's Deputy at the White House, and I will urge that it be given favorable consideration.

I much appreciated receiving the set of books on foreign policy which were mailed from The Center at your suggestion.

I truly enjoyed our visit together, and I must tell you that Stan Swinton did send word to me about your coming to Washington but his letter arrived after you had been here.

Warmest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. Fred Warner Neal
Claremont Graduate School
Claremont, California 91711

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*Neal,
Fred
Warner*

July 3, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

PHILIP BUCHEN

P.W.B.

Attached for your review and handling is the original of a letter to the President from Mr. Robert M. Hutchins, President of The Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions.

In a separate letter to me, Fred Warner Neal of the Claremont Graduate School, who is also affiliated with The Center, said that he had discussed the subject of the letter to the President with Dr. Kissinger and with Ambassador Dobrynin, both of whom he reports appear to favor the idea of a convocation on foreign policy which would feature addresses by the President, by Dr. Kissinger, and by Chairman Brezhnev.

Attachments

June 13, 1975

President Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

The uncertainties in international affairs, and in America's relation to them, probably constitute the most vital area of public issues at this time. The Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions has concluded it can make a contribution to strengthening public understanding of foreign policy generally, and of your own foreign policies in particular, by sponsoring a major national discussion focused primarily -- but not exclusively -- on American-Soviet relations. With the post-Vietnam era before us and your own position as leader of the Free World established, it seems to us that now is the time to help clarify public thinking about where we should go and are going from here.

Our plan is to hold a Convocation in Washington at the time Chairman Brezhnev is here in the fall, and we would like to have it opened by addresses by you and Mr. Brezhnev on the topic "The Future of American-Soviet Detente." As you perhaps know, the Center has in the past organized three other Convocations -- under the name Pacem in Terris I, taken from the Encyclical of the late Pope John 23rd. Pacem in Terris I, held in New York in 1956 probably can be said to have marked the beginning of a public dialogue with the Russians on issues affecting both nations. Pacem II, in Geneva in 1967, succeeded in bringing representatives of East and West Germany together publicly for the first time. Pacem in Terris III, in Washington in the fall of 1973, was opened by Secretary Kissinger and Senator Fulbright before an audience of 4,000 persons and was nationally televised. This year we have thought also of orienting the Convocation on the upcoming bicentennial celebration, perhaps entitling it "A Foreign Policy for our Bicentennial Year."

Assuming the opening session is an evening affair, our plan is to devote the next day to a follow-up divided into three sessions: a discussion of "Detente in Practice," with an address by Secretary Kissinger; a discussion of problems of arms control, with an address by Secretary Schlesinger; and a third session at which declared Presidential candidates would have an opportunity to state their foreign policy views. We would select discussants for the day-time sessions primarily from among members of Congress of both parties, and when we get down to actually picking names would appreciate suggestions from the White House. We hope in this manner to encourage cooperation between Congress and the Executive Branch on foreign policy matters.

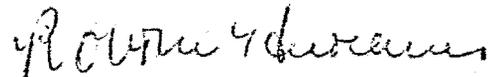
June 13, 1975

After initiating a conversation on the general question of the foreign policy Convocation with Mr. Buchen, our Consultant on International Affairs, Dr. Fred Warner Neal, explored it with Secretary Kissinger, whose reaction was favorable. He then discussed the question of Brezhnev's participation with Ambassador Dobrynin, who indicated a high degree of interest, depending ultimately, of course, on your agreement.

We recognize there is still some question regarding Mr. Brezhnev's visit, which we are hopeful will take place in October. Naturally, it is most important for us to know about this as soon as possible in order to make necessary plans. In the event we cannot know in time, or if Mr. Brezhnev does not come to Washington, we still will go ahead with the Convocation -- possibly then in December -- and would like you to make the opening address. In such case, we would, if agreeable to you, explore the possibility of having Mr. Brezhnev make an address from Moscow via telestar.

We see this Convocation as not only something which will contribute importantly to public understanding of foreign policy problems but which also will be of assistance to you and your Administration in the always difficult and complex matter of formulating and carrying out a foreign policy in the national interest. We would be honored, therefore, if you will consider participating with us in this endeavor.

Sincerely yours,



Robert M. Hutchins
President

The
Center *for the Study of Democratic Institutions / The Fund for the Republic, Inc.*



Reply to: Claremont Graduate School
Claremont, Calif. 91711

June 13, 1975

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

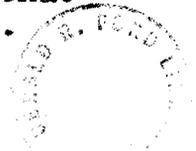
Dear Phil:

It was great to have seen you. I enjoyed our conversation very much. And I do appreciate your having sandwiched me in.

Enclosed is the letter inviting the President to address the Center's foreign policy convocation. I am extremely hopeful you and he will find it attractive not only from the viewpoint of educating public opinion but also of enhancing Mr. Ford's stature.

As I told you, Kissinger seemed to think the general idea was good. Dobrynin was highly interested in the idea of having Brezhnev join with the President in addressing the convocation but emphasized that it could be considered only if it completely meets with the President's approval. I want to make clear that as much as we would like to have the two of them, it is Mr. Ford's participation that is of greatest importance.

The problem, of course, is the uncertainty surrounding the Brezhnev visit. As I understand it from the State Department the visit most likely depends on a SALT agreement; and while they feel optimistic that there will be one they aren't yet 100 per cent sure. While probably we could wait until the end of August, it is terribly important to know about it as soon as possible. I would appreciate it if you would advise me as soon as you know anything -- assuming, as I hope, that Mr. Ford is agreeable to the idea -- and that you will permit me to check with you from time to time.



We will hold the Convocation in one of the big hotels, or possibly some place like Constitution Hall. I am assuming an evening session beginning at 8 p.m., with the President ready to depart as soon as he and Brezhnev (if both participate) conclude their addresses.

Please do let me know if you have any questions about all this. I could, of course, come East to talk about it if desired, at any time you wished.

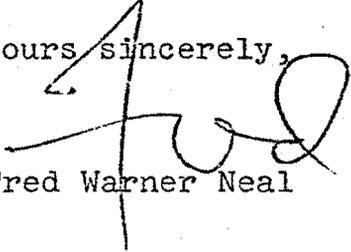
I am enclosing also, for your information, a copy of the Pacem in Terris III Convocation.

Regarding the other subject of our conversation -- the Trade Act -- I took your suggestion about getting together (i.e., members of the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations) with representatives of Jewish groups very seriously and will keep you apprised of developments.

I will also be sending you in a few days the letter to the President about the matter which we discussed. In regard to this matter also, please do let me know if we can be useful in any way.

Again, it was nice to have seen you again after all these years. All best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



Fred Warner Neal

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 17, 1975

Dear Stan:

Fred Neal called me before your letter arrived, and I had a good visit with him while he was in Washington.

Bunny and I hope you and Helen will be back in Washington soon so that we can have a chance to see you again.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. Stanley M. Swinton
Vice President
and
Assistant General Manager
The Associated Press
50 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10020

*Neal
file*

Neal
Fred
7.

June 13, 1975

Mr. Buchen:

This set of books is sent to you
with the compliments of Professor Fred
Warner Neal.

Donna Biscay
Donna Biscay



Neal, Fred

Tuesday 9/10/75

Meeting
9/11/75
9 a.m.

3:00 Mr. Buchen will see Fred Neal tomorrow (Wednesday 9/11)
at 9 a.m.



Tuesday 6/10/75

10:15 Fred Warner Neal called -- said you were expecting his call. Said you were old schoolmates -- and that Stanley Swinton was going to call you yesterday to say he would be calling today.

393-1000
Rm. 741

He is staying at the Statler Hilton and would like to come in and see you today or tomorrow.



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
50 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10020

Neal
Fred Warner

June 9, 1975

Personal

Mr. Philip Buchen
Counsellor to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Phil:

Over the weekend up in the country, I had a call from Fred Warner Neal, now a professor in California. You'll remember him as a Daily editor in our era. He's now a distinguished member of the academic community, I'm told.

Fred said he was coming East and would be in Washington. He said he'd like to see me briefly in New York and you in Washington for 10 minutes if possible.

I explained you were extremely busy. Fred felt a phone call from him to you might not get through so he asked if I'd at least alert you to the fact he would contact your office and ask for a brief meeting.

Helen and I were delighted to meet your wife at Ardeshir's party. She's great.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Steve

dv



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 6, 1975

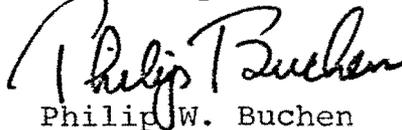
Dear Mrs. MacPherson:

After receiving your letter concerning the possibility of having President Ford visit the American College in Paris during his trip there, I checked on his schedule for that trip.

It is my understanding that the President gave consideration to the proposal made by Mr. Damon B. Smith and with much regret the President had to decline this appearance because of his already crowded schedule while there.

We are very sorry that we are unable to honor your request.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Jacqueline MacPherson
c/o Mr. Poete
30-32 rue de Meudon
92130 - Issy-les-Moulineaux
France

October 31, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR PHILIP BUCHEN

FROM: Brent Scowcroft 

SUBJECT: Proposal that President Meet
with American College in Paris

This is in reply to your memorandum of October 23 inquiring as to the status of the proposal made by Damon B. Smith that the President agree to visit the American College in Paris at the time of his mid-November travel to France for the economic summit.

It is my understanding that the Scheduling Office has already advised Mr. Smith that it will not be possible to include a visit to the College at the time of the summit. I would add that the timing for the visit is tight and the schedule of talks very concentrated.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 23, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM: PHILIP BUCHEN

P.W.B.

Please advise what disposition is being made of the request by the President of the American College in Paris to have the President speak to the students of that college when he is in Paris for the Economic Conference. I have had an inquiry on this matter from a friend of the President who lives in France.

Attachment

Jacqueline Mac Pherson (Mrs)
c/o Mr. Poète
30-32 rue de Meudon
92130 - Issy-les-Moulineaux
F r a n c e

October 17th, 1975.

Mr. Philip BUCHEN
Special Assistant to the
President of the United States
The White House
WASHINGTON D.C.
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Buchen:

I am taking the liberty of writing you, because I am a former resident of Grand Rapids. My late husband was Ross M. Mac Pherson (you may have known him) and my late father-in-law was Mr. Lloyd M. Mac Pherson, traffic manager of the American Seating Company for many, many years. As a matter of fact, my oldest daughter Francine is living in Grand Rapids, taking care of her grand mother who is quite ill at the moment.

The enclosed copy of the letter sent to President Ford by Mr. Damon B. Smith, President of the American College in Paris is self-explanatory.

Could you please arrange, in the busy schedule of the President, a little place to enable him to give a talk to the Students. For security reasons, I think it could not be at the School proper, but maybe 65 Quai d'Orsay, in the American Church local, or better at the American Embassy.

My youngest daughter Nadine has been a student there, up to now. But we are keeping contact with the Faculty. This College is a wonderful small College, a little United-Nations I should say, because many students come from all over the world. They live and study together and nice friendships have begun there. Also the Faculty and the Dean are really doing all they can to help the students.

I had met President Ford a couple of times in Grand Rapids. The first time when I helped back in 1948 in the campaign (though at the time I was not even an U.S. citizen - I'm French born- and I went around to get signatures for the petition to enable him to be a candidate for the Republican Party). The second time in 1965, when I was in a department store with my parents-in-law who knew him, introduced me to Gerald Ford.

You are a lawyer, you must know John Starr (though he is a Democrat). John is a very wonderful fellow. His father Judge Starr sworn me in back in July 1948 as a US.Citizen. I hear from John sometimes.

We would be so happy to see and hear our President. If it is not possible at all, could you please send me an invitation for the Press Conference. In any case, I am giving you my phone numbers where I can be reached : Office: 604.81.00 ext.558
Home: 645.03.97

Thank you very much in advance, Mr. Buchen for all you can do.
I'm sending a copy of this letter to your office in Grand Rapids.

Yours very truly.

Jacqueline Mac Pherson
Jacqueline Mac Pherson (Mrs)



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american college in paris/an independent liberal arts college

13 October 1975

President Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I recently read a press report of your intention to attend the economic conference which is scheduled to be convened in France in mid-November.

In the hope that you will in fact be in Paris, I would like to extend an invitation to you to speak with the students of the American College in Paris, either at the College itself or in any other circumstance which your schedule might allow. I think that meeting our students could give you an interesting opportunity to assess the concerns of Americans living abroad.

Over the years, we have had the privilege of visits by, among others, former President Nixon, Senators Hart and Mathias, and Governor Romney. We would be deeply honored to be able to add your name to this distinguished roll of visitors.

So that you may be fully informed of the nature and aims of the American College in Paris, I have taken the liberty of enclosing a copy of the College catalog.

Thank you for considering this invitation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Damon B. Smith".

Damon B. Smith
President

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UNTIL 12:00 Noon, E. S. T.

November 13, 1975

Office of the White House Press Secretary

*Pres. info
John
12/5/75*

THE WHITE HOUSE

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*Pres.
Scheduling*

November 21, 1975

MEETING WITH LEWIS ENGMAN
Monday, November 24, 1975
12:45 p.m. (15 minutes)
The Oval Office

From: Philip W. Buchen *P.W.B.*

I. PURPOSE

To allow Mr. Engman to discuss his personal plans and the political situation in Michigan.

II. PARTICIPANTS & PRESS PLAN

A. Participants: Mr. Engman and Phil Buchen.

B. Press Plan: White House Photo only.
(Meeting should be announced.)

III. TALKING POINTS

1. Lew, I understand that you want to review with me your personal plans and the political situation in Michigan.
2. If it should be your desire to leave as Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, I want you to know that you will be missed. You have done superb work in that position and are a credit to this Administration, as you have been to the past one.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 20, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: PHIL BUCHEN

FROM: WILLIAM W. NICHOLSON *WAN*

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 Lewis Engman

Date: Mon., Nov. 24, '75 Time: 12:45 p.m. Duration: 15 mins.

Location: The Oval Office

Press Coverage: None.

Purpose: To allow Mr. Engman to discuss his personal plans and the political situation in Michigan.

cc: Mr. Cheney
Mr. Hartmann
Mr. Marsh
Dr. Connor
Dr. Hoopes
Mr. Nessen
Mr. Jones
Mr. O'Donnell
Mrs. Yates

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

DATE: November 10, 1975

FROM: Philip W. Buchen *P.W.*

VIA : William Nicholson

MEETING: Personal conference by Lewis Engman,
Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission,
with the President

DATE: As soon as possible.

PURPOSE: To allow Mr. Engman to discuss with the
President his personal plans and the
political situation in Michigan. Lewis
comes from Grand Rapids and is a friend
of the President. There has been some
talk that he may want to resign from his
position and run for elective office.

FORMAT: -location - The Oval Office
-participants - Mr. Engman alone with
the President, although
the President may wish to
have me present also.

CABINET
PARTICIPATION: None

SPEECH
MATERIAL: None

PRESS
COVERAGE: None -- and the meeting should not be
announced.

STAFF: Philip W. Buchen

Scheduling

November 25, 1975

Dear Dave:

Thank you for your inquiry about the possibility of having a group of boys from Dulwich College in London meet with a member of the Presidential staff or if possible the President on the occasion of their visit to the White House on Saturday, March 20.

It is too early now to give you any assurance as to the time and nature of such a meeting, but I am quite confident one can be arranged. If you will write again closer to the time of the proposed visit, I will make sure that some arrangements are made which will be of interest to the group.

I trust you are still enjoying life in London.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. David Calahan
4 Duchess of Bedford House
Kensington, W.8,
United Kingdom



Calahan Company

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18 November 1975 Reply to

4 Duchess of Bedford House
Kensington, W.8, U.K.
phone 01-937-2240

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

*London, W. 8
England*

Dear Phil:

Next March, a group of about 30 boys from Dulwich College, London, will tour the U.S. It is a study tour for boys majoring in economics or geography. Dulwich is a secondary public school founded in 1619.

Preliminary plans have them scheduled to be in Washington on Saturday, March 20 and Sunday, March 21. They have a White House tour planned for 12:00 on Saturday and will visit the Smithsonian Institute on Sunday.

I am writing to you in hopes that it might be possible to tentatively plan a meeting with a member of the White House Presidential Staff or some other senior governmental official. Of course a meeting with the President would be the best treat of all and I am sure, the most difficult to arrange.

They arrive in New York from London on March 19 and will leave early on Saturday for Washington. They plan to leave Washington on Monday. I know that the week-end is a most difficult time to plan something like this. Perhaps they could meet with someone early Monday morning if a week-end meeting is not possible.

My personal interest stems from our son, Lawrence, being one of the boys on the tour. All of the boys have already been designated and he will be the only American in the group. Most of the other boys will be British though there may be boys from other countries as well.

The trip is being planned by the Institute of International Education, Inc., Houston, Texas. Their itinerary takes them on to Knoxville, Jackson, Vicksburg, Houston, Ft. Worth, Tulsa, St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

Any suggestions that you may have concerning this request will be most appreciated. We will be in Grand Rapids visiting my parents during the week of December 22nd. I will try to contact you at that time in case you have any questions concerning schedual variations.

Best personal regards,

DMC/ss



PETER M. WEGE
2754 PIONEER CLUB ROAD, S.E.
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49505

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*President's
Scheduling*

December 8, 1975

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20025

Dear Phil:

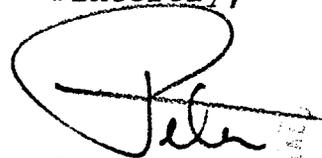
I would like to intercede, on behalf of Dr. James Beaton of Grand Rapids, in his efforts to have President Ford address the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists during their Silver Anniversary meeting in Dallas, Texas, on May 10, 1976.

The membership of this august group is over seventeen thousand, and there will be about five thousand at the meeting, plus three to four thousand nurses. This is a really big one, and I am sure the President's presence could do him a lot of good politically.

I would appreciate your best effort, and please let me know as soon as possible. With the quality of professional people involved, an alternative could be Betty if you think it would be appropriate.

This is important to me.

Sincerely,



Peter M. Wege

PMW:jk

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

for scheduling

December 9, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JERRY JONES

FROM: PHIL BUCHEN *P.*

Please advise whether you think it would be appropriate for the President to have a signing ceremony on the Public Broadcasting bill.

SIDNEY L. JAMES
4701 WILLARD AVENUE
CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND 20015

12/5/75

Dear Mr. Buchen,

It was indeed a happy coincidence that we were having our conversation about the progress of the Public Broadcasting bill at the precise moment that the Senate-House conference committee was taking favorable action.

Ralph Rogers, and I think some CPB Board members, too, will be in Washington next week for a series of meetings and could be available for one of those public signings if the bill is sent to the White House.

It goes without saying that all of us in Public Television appreciate mightily this turn of events.

With warmest regards

Respectfully yours

Sidney L. James

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 12, 1975

Dear Peter:

In regard to your letter of December 8, I shall pass on your support of this schedule proposal to the President's Scheduling Office. As you know, the matter of scheduling the President's appearances always involves difficulties and requires careful overall planning. This will be particularly true for 1976 because of its being the Bicentennial year when there will be many demands on his time.

I know the Beaton proposal will be given careful consideration by the President and Dr. Beaton will be advised as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. Peter M. Wege
2754 Pioneer Club Road, S. E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506

*Pro
Scheduling*



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 12, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: BILL NICHOLSON

FROM: PHILIP BUCHEN *P.*

SUBJECT: Appearance by the President
on May 10, 1976, before a
Silver Anniversary Meeting
of the American College of
Obstetricians and Gynecolo-
gists

Attached is a letter from Peter Wege on the above
subject and a copy of my reply.

Attachments



PETER M. WEGE
2754 PIONEER CLUB ROAD, S.E.
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49506

616-942-0070

December 8, 1975

Mr. Philip W. Buchen
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20025

Dear Phil:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Peter M. Wege". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P".

Peter M. Wege

PMW:jk

*Presidents
scheduling*

Friday 12/12/75

2:45 Bill Nicholson of the Scheduling said that you have had a couple of conversations with Mike Wallace about the possibility of the President appearing on his show. Wants to know if you have confirmed or just discussed the possibility. Needs to know how far you have gone.



*President's
scheduling*

Friday 12/12/75

1:25 Ken advises that the scheduling office said Friday would be better than Thursday for the ceremony for Judge Stevens.



*President's
scheduling*

Tuesday 12/16/75

12:20 Mike Wallace wanted you to know that he had a call from the President.

Mike talked with Dick Cheney this morning, who explained to him why the postponement and that it would indeed be rescheduled shortly after the first of the year.

Five minutes later he got a call from the President and Mike was quite surprised because you wouldn't ordinarily get a call from the President to explain the rescheduling. The President said they could count on doing it in the first two weeks of the new year.

Mr. Wallace wanted to tell you this and to thank you for all your efforts in their behalf.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 18, 1975

SWEARING-IN OF JUDGE STEVENS

Friday, December 19, 1975

10:00 a.m. (1 hour)

The Supreme Court

Through: Philip Buchen *P.W.B.*
From: Kenneth Lazarus *kl*

I. PURPOSE

To participate in the installation of Judge John Paul Stevens to be an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS & PRESS PLAN

- A. Background: Judge John Paul Stevens will be sworn in as the 101st Justice of the Supreme Court, vice Associate Justice Douglas. [Schedule at Tab A]
- B. Participants: The President, Members of the Supreme Court, Judge Stevens, the Attorney General and Solicitor General. A number of Administration officials will attend. [Outline of ceremony at Tab B]
- C. Press Plan: (1) Press pool coverage (no cameras) of courtroom proceeding; (2) Open photo coverage (President, Chief Justice and Justice Stevens) in West Conference Room following ceremony; and (3) Kennerly photos at reception.

III. TALKING POINTS

[President's statement to the Court at Tab C]

IV. ATTIRE

President, Attorney General and Solicitor General to wear formal morning clothes, i. e., cutaway coat, striped pants, dark vest, black and white striped tie and ordinary collar.

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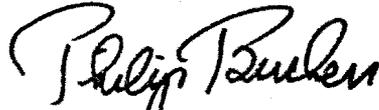
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Sincerely,



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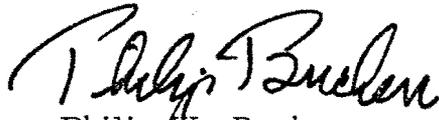
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