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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

October 3, 1974

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JAY FRENCH

FROM:

JACK NESBITT

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October 4, 1974

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Philip W. Buchen Counsel to the President



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