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Tuesday 2/10/76

1:05 Re your call from Hernando Revera (one of the lawyers
of the private secretariat of the President of Mexico) --

Mexico City
5156908

Rosa doesn't speak Spanish too well.

1:15 Christy in Jim Cavanaugh's office does, and she would
be happy to come down whenever you want to return
Mr. Revera's call.

1:30 I understand that Bobbie also speaks Spanish.



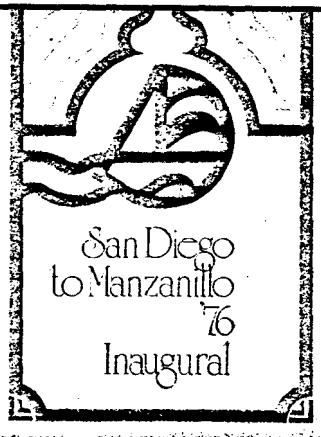
December 2, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JEANNE DAVIS
FROM: BARRY ROTH

Could we please get the NSC's views on the attached. Unless State has funds available for this purpose, I do not see how such a trophy could be provided regardless of other considerations.

Thank you for your assistance.





Race Headquarters:
1011 Anchorage Lane
San Diego, California
92106

(714) 222-1103

Chairman:
A. Ben Chadwell, Jr.

November 12, 1975

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

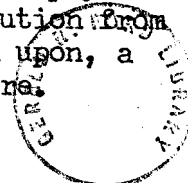
The San Diego Yacht Club has established the San Diego to Manzanillo International Yacht Race to replace the San Diego to Acapulco Regatta which was originally founded in 1952. The inaugural race for this biennial, international regatta starts off San Diego Bay, January 31, 1976.

The San Diego to Manzanillo Regatta is considered to be the premier international racing event on the west coast and the goodwill generated between the two countries is immeasurable.

It has been necessary to establish an entirely new trophy structure for this truly outstanding international event. Our Mexican Race Liason Chairman in Mexico has secured the donation, on behalf of the President of Mexico, of a perpetual trophy to be presented to the overall winner of this regatta. This overall winner trophy is to be known as "The Presidents Trophy." It is their desire that this award be a joint trophy donated by the Presidents of the United States of America and the United States of Mexico.

The national award winner for silver design in Mexico was commissioned to design this trophy, and I enclose a sketch of this design which depicts a sea nautilus of silver, mounted on a silver plate, attached to a base of clear acrylic material. This trophy will be perpetual in Deed of Gift and will remain in the possession of the San Diego Yacht Club for presentation to future winners on a biennial basis. Total cost for subject trophy will amount to \$1400, one half of which we solicit contribution from the United States. If our request is favorably acted upon, a proper Deed of Gift will be prepared for your signature.

Sponsored by the
San Diego Yacht Club



The starting date is rapidly approaching and your early assistance will be greatly appreciated.

The Commodore and all members of the San Diego Yacht Club extend to you our sincerest best wishes.

Respectfully,

A. Ben Chadwell, Jr.

A. Ben Chadwell, Jr., Chairman
San Diego to Manzanillo Race 1976

ABC:lr

Enclosure



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROBERT HARTMANN

FROM:

PHIL BUCHEN *1.*

The State Department has advised that the Yacht Club trophy to be given jointly in the names of the Presidents of the United States and Mexico would have a favorable impact on our relations with Mexico.

The Yacht Club has now wired that they will assume the cost of the trophy. On the basis of the foreign relations benefit, this event can be distinguished from a similar domestic event and accordingly we raise no objection to the acceptance of this invitation.

I understand that you may have already discussed this matter with the President. In any event, you should make sure that he is aware that he will be accepting the invitation for use of his name. It would be best if you call Leon Parma directly.

I will make sure that an appropriate response is sent directly to the Yacht Club on behalf of the President.



The White House
Washington

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FMS PHILIP W BUCHEN

COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT, DLR

WHITE HOUSE DC

REFERENCE SDYC SAN DIEGO TO MANZANILLO YACHT RACE JANUARY 31, 1976.

SAN DIEGO YACHT CLUB RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THE PRESIDENT TO
AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT S TROPHY TO BE JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE
PRESIDENT S OF THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO. THIS IS TO ADVISE THAT
SDYC WILL PURCHASE THE TROPHY. THE PRESIDENT OF MEXICO HAS AGREED TO
SPONSOR TROPHY. TME IS OF THE ESSENCE AND AN EARLY REPLY IS
REQUESTED.

JAMES E FINK

COMMODORE SAN DIEGO YACHT CLUB

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 29, 1975

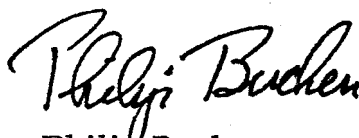
Dear Mr. Chadwell:

On behalf of the President, I want to thank you for your recent letter, telling him of plans for the San Diego to Manzanillo International Yacht Race, which is scheduled to start off in San Diego Bay on January 31, 1976.

President Ford was interested to learn of the inauguration of this international race, which should do much to promote goodwill and understanding between the United States and Mexico. You may be sure he will be pleased and proud to join with the President of Mexico in presenting "The Presidents Trophy," which is scheduled to remain in the possession of the San Diego Yacht Club for presentation to future winners on a biennial basis.

The President has asked me to extend his thanks and very best wishes to you and all the members of the San Diego Yacht Club.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Philip Buchen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "P" and "B".

Philip Buchen
Counsel to the President

Mr. A. Ben Chadwell, Jr.
Chairman
San Diego to Manzanillo Race 1976
1011 Anchorage Lane
San Diego, California 92106

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Redrafted

January 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROBERT HARTMANN
BRENT SCOWCROFT ✓
JIM CONNOR

FROM:

PHIL BUCHEN *P.*

Attached is the draft of a document which will be prepared in final form on parchment by the San Diego Yacht Club. After that, it will be delivered here for the President's signature on Tuesday, January 13, after which it will be delivered to President Echiverra for his signature.

Do you see any reason why it will not be appropriate for the President to sign the document in this form? I would like any objections or suggested changes promptly so that I can telephone Mr. McKessen. This is a project which the President has approved.

cc: Barry Roth



Redrafted

Tuesday 1/6/76

12:10 Ben McKessen dictated the following:

(714) 222-1103
239-5121

DEDICATION

Know all men by these presents that we, Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States of America, and Louis Echiverra, President of the Republic of Mexico, for the purpose of promoting the international good will and friendship which exists between the peoples of our respective countries and to foster Corinthian Yacht racing, hereby jointly dedicate this trophy to be known as the Presidents' Trophy.

The Presidents' Trophy is to be presented to the overall handicapped winners of the bi-annual San Diego to Manzanillo Yacht Race and is to remain in the possession of the San Diego Yacht Club for presentation to future winners of the aforesaid race.

In witness whereof we have affixed our signatures hereunto in the month of January.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 7, 1976

*Redraft —
copies hand carried
to Hartmann,
Scowcroft & Connor.*

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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BRENT SCOWCROFT
JIM CONNOR

FROM:

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WASHINGTON

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In witness whereof we have affixed our signatures hereunto in the month of January, 1976.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 8, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: PHIL BUCHEN
FROM: JIM CONNOR
SUBJECT: Dedication of the Presidents' Trophy,
San Diego Yacht Club

I have the following comments on the proposed document:

1. We do not have anything in WH files showing a similar joint dedication.
2. The dedication establishes the conditions for presentation, frequency of the race, possession of the trophy. If any of these are changed, would consultation with the Head of State be required?
3. The proposed language is quite formal. I have pencilled in some changes that you may want to consider.

encl.

*Redrafted
as suggested by
Jim Connor*



WASHINGTON

January 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROBERT HARTMANN ✓
BRENT SCOWCROFT
JIM CONNOR

FROM:

PHIL BUCHEN P.

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cc: Barry Roth

Tuesday 1/6/76

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(714) 222-1103

or 239-5121 *office*

DEDICATION

~~Know all men by these presents that~~ we, Gerald R. Ford,
President of the United States of America, and Luis
Echeverria Alvarez, President of the Republic of Mexico, *do*
for the purposes of promoting the international good will
and friendship which exists between the peoples of our
respective countries and ~~to~~ *ing* foster Corinthian yacht racing,
hereby jointly dedicate this trophy to be known as the
Presidents' Trophy.

The Presidents' Trophy is to be presented to the overall
handicap winners of the biannual San Diego to Manzanillo
Yacht Race and is to remain in the possession of the
San Diego Yacht Club for presentation to future winners
of ~~the aforesaid race~~ *this* ~~or for such other similar uses as~~ *the San Diego*

In commemoration of this dedication,

~~In witness whereof~~ we have affixed our signatures hereunto
in the month of January, 1976.

*Yacht
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may
hereafter
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the sailing
of such
race may
have to be
discontinued.
a change of
circumstances
requires
discontinuance
of this particular
event.*

in 1976



Thursday 1/8/76

3:00 I had called Ben McKessen's office; he and his (714) 239-5121
secretary were both out, but his partner -- Dave Folsom --
taped the dedication as I read it.

Mr. McKessen's secretary -- Jerry -- just now (714) 222-1103
called from the Yacht Club and I dictated the attached
Dedication to her.



DEDICATION

For the purposes of promoting the international good will and friendship which exist between the peoples of our respective countries and of fostering Corinthian yacht racing, we, Gerald R. Ford, President of the United States of America, and Luis Echeverria Alvarez, President of the Republic of Mexico, do hereby jointly dedicate this trophy to be known as the Presidents' Trophy.

The Presidents' Trophy is to be presented to the overall handicap winners of the biannual San Diego to Manzanillo Yacht Race in 1976 and is to remain in the possession of the San Diego Yacht Club for presentation to future winners of this race or for such other similar uses as the San Diego Yacht Club may hereafter determine in the event a change of circumstances requires discontinuance of this particular event.

In commemoration of this dedication, we have affixed our signatures hereunto in the month of January 1976.

*Yachting Club
Trophy*

Friday 1/9/76

**3:50 Nita said Mr. Hartmann said your memo with the
Dedication of the Presidents' Trophy at the Yachting Club
is fine.**



Tuesday 1/13/76

1:20 Lcdr. Frank Kuhn is here from the San Diego Yacht Club and will be having the parchment to be signed by the President. It is being mailed -- so he will be in touch again when it arrives. (Probably tomorrow)

Ox. 20389



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 14, 1976

To: Mr. Buchen

From: Eva

General Scowcroft mentions changes to the text so that the Mexican President is referred to correctly.

He apparently worked from an early draft of the dedication message which we sent on January 7. However, after sending that memo to Hartmann, Scowcroft and Connor, we checked with Scowcroft's office to see how the Mexican President's name was properly spelled and worded for such a message ---- and then we retyped the January 7 with those corrections and handcarried to Hartmann, Scowcroft and Connor the new draft.

The new draft apparently did not get in to the General when he made his comments on January 14.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: PHILIP BUCHEN

FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT *WHS*

SUBJECT: President's Trophy for San Diego
to Manzanillo Yacht Race

From the foreign relations point of view, we see no objection to the President's signing a parchment dedicating a yachting trophy for the San Diego-Manzanillo race.

We have made a few suggested changes to the text so that the Mexican President is referred to correctly and to emphasize that good relations exist between our two Governments as well as our people.

Tab A - Suggested Dedication
Statement

Tab B - Buchen to Scowcroft
Memo of January 7

A



DEDICATION

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The Presidents' Trophy is to be presented to the overall handicap winners of the biannual San Diego to Manzanillo Yacht Race and is to remain in the possession of the San Diego Yacht Club for presentation to future winners of the aforesaid race.

In witness whereof we have affixed our signatures hereunto in the month of January 1976.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROBERT HARTMANN
BRENT SCOWCROFT ✓
JIM CONNOR

FROM:

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cc: Barry Roth

~~1/ McFarlane~~
2/ Highland
3/ Schwartz
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239-5121

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President of the United States of America, and ~~Louis Echeverria~~, *always*
President of the Republic of Mexico, for the purpose of promoting
the international good will and friendship which exists between
the peoples ~~of our respective countries~~
Yacht racing, hereby jointly dedicate this trophy to be known as
the Presidents' Trophy.

The Presidents' Trophy is to be presented to the overall handicapped
winners of the bi-annual San Diego to Manzanillo Yacht Race and
is to remain in the possession of the San Diego Yacht Club for
presentation to future winners of the aforesaid race.

In witness whereof we have affixed our signatures hereunto in the
month of January, *1976*.



Thursday 1/15/76

12:15 Cdr. Kuhn has sent over the parchment.

His plans are to leave tomorrow night about 5 p.m.

So he's hopeful the President may be able to sign it and Kuhn can take it back with him.



Friday 1/16/76

11:40 Cdr. Kuhn will be heading for Dulles airport around 3:30 this afternoon -- so would hope to have the Presidents' Trophy Dedication signed so he can take it back with him.

Checked with Trudy to let her know the timing.

When it is ready, either Cdr. Kuhn will come and get it -- or he will send someone. He can be reached at -----

692-0370

