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The Honorable Gerald R. Ford Vice President of the United States Executive Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Jerry:

You were superb on Issues and Answers today. You responded very smoothly and effectively to every question. Apain you demonstrated why you have pained the highest trust and respect of the preat

majority of Americans.

Bunny and I are still glorying over the events of last week and the thrill of having been present for your confirmation and your swearing in. And we were immensely pleased, as you must have been, at the large number of your devoted friends who came from Michigan to be

With you.

I reported to Bill Scidmon by telephone
I reported to Bill Scidmon by telephone
that you or Bob might be calling him this
that you or Bob might be calling him this
week, and he indicated he would be most
week, and he indicated he would be most
week, and he indicated he would be most
happy to fly into Washington on any day for
happy to fly into Washington on any day for
a meeting. His phone numbers are 774-7000
at the office and ORG9050 at home.

Betty, and all your family - from Bunny and me. Sincerely yours,

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Friday, March 15, 1974

CONTACT: Paul Miltich 456-2364

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Mr. Buchen, 58, is a senior partner in the law firm of Law, Buchen, Weathers, Richardson and Dutcher, and is a former law partner of the Vice President.

Mr. Buchen was a member of the United States Delegation to the INTELSAT Conference which, between 1969 and 1972, negotiated the definitive arrangements for the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization.

Since 1969 he has served on the Board of Directors of the COMSAT Corporation. Mr. Buchen is a graduate of the University of Michigan where he received an A.B. Degree in 1939, and the University of Michigan Law School, where he received a J.D. degree in 1941. He is a member of the Bar of the State of Michigan.

The Vice President views Mr. Buchen's appointment as a first step in the development and implementation of meaningful

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