

MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT
& D.C CHIEF OF POLICE CULLINANE

Tuesday, July 13, 1976
11:00 a.m. (15 minutes)

Cabinet Room

LEAD

PM Burt Newm AD

Taiph - great hesitancy. - had them asked
P - to make cars

up to Singh

Taiph rejected 5 rings + "1200" subleams

Talk to P - looking

Why doesn't J.S. walk out?

Room already arrives today.

TV - K - 825 AM watches out
if U.S. does not participate.

Received Telegram from Corio & Sec

sayis get out of games.

will wait until over.

JR New played poker -
no trading partners.



Cannon fyi

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH "STING" OPERATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 1976

11:00 a.m. (15 minutes)

The Cabinet Room (Briefing by Chief Cullinane)
West Lobby Exit (Brief Statement -- Walk Group
to Cars -- Photo Opportunity)

FROM: Jim Cannon

I. PURPOSE

To greet and congratulate men and women who participated in District of Columbia's two fake fencing projects.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS, PRESS PLAN

A. Background: The District of Columbia's two fake fencing projects--P.F.F., Inc. (Police-FBI Fencing, Incognito), which operated from October 1975 to February 28, 1976, and G.Y.A. (Got Ya Again), which operated from January until July 1976--resulted in well over 300 arrests and recovery of \$3.6 million of property. Both involved cooperation of District of Columbia police officers; agents of the FBI, Secret Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms; and postal inspectors. Undercover police officers spread the net; FBI agents coordinated taped incidents, evidence and data; agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms bought fenced guns and traced them to rightful owners; Secret Service agents handled stolen government checks; and postal investigators probed the stolen fenced mail.

B. Participants: Listed at Tab A.

C. Press Plan: To be announced. White House photo opportunity. (At conclusion of meeting, you will walk officers to front drive, where you will deliver brief remarks.)

III. TALKING POINTS (For Use in Cabinet Room)

1. I would like to welcome all of you to the White House.



2. As I am sure each of you knows, your recent criminal investigations, referred to by the media as Operations "Sting," have captured the imagination of the people of the District of Columbia and infused in them a new feeling of respect for law and order. I share that respect and admiration for your fine work.
3. All too frequently, in our zeal to protect individual rights and freedoms, we have unduly criticized those who are the principal guardians of those rights and freedoms--police officers. Moreover, it sometimes seems as though only the criticisms receive mention by the media. I want the people of this country to know that you, and others like you, are working on their behalf. I want them to focus on your good deeds--indeed, your brilliant deeds--which far outweigh your mistakes. You are to be commended for your efforts.
4. Chief Cullinane, I would like to know more about the planning, implementation and impact of those operations.



PARTICIPANTS

Metropolitan Police Department

Chief Maurice J. Cullinane
Lt. Robert D. Arscott
Detective Sergeant James M. Harrigan
Sergeant Karl Mattis
Sergeant James V. Szewczyk
Detective Patrick J. Lilly
Detective Robert W. Sheaffer
Detective Vincent Tolson
Officer William F. Gately
Officer Charles C. Battle
Officer Sterling C. Robinson
Officer Revolton B. Coley
Officer William C. Davis
Officer Anne W. Scott

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Charles E. Harrison
Michael R. Hartman
Danny F. Johnson
Robert E. Lill

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Edgar L. Seibert
William B. Wilson

White House Staff

James M. Cannon
Richard D. Parsons
Robert F. Goldwin
Dawn D. Bennett



② R - in favor of keeping Taiwan in
How legal problems if withdrawn.

I ③ Joe - ~~Red~~ likely to come?
else vote.

~~④~~

II ④ talk - to Room - would ABC come if

IA are considering on its own withdrawal
30+

Q to P - Skored play out when given -
US ^{open} posture fluid.
until HR - acts - don't
know what decision to take.

Call
about
5 pm!

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