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Population Meeting

General Omara, Joseph Tydings
Jeannie Rossoff, Byron Collins

Tuesday, April 15, 1975
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
April 14, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CANNON
FROM: PAM NEEDHAM
SUBJECT: Background for Meeting with Tydings Population Group

Earlier this year Ted Marrs and I met with Mr. Tydings, Father Collins, Mrs. Rosoff, and General O'Meara. I assume they will repeat their concerns to you.

Their proposal is that the Center for Population Research, a sub-unit of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, be given increased visibility and emphasis.

This Center is the focus of HEW population research and is currently funded at a level of about $50 million. The Tydings group recommends the budget be doubled to $100 million.

As the Tydings request is one of NIH priorities and organization, I told the group that it would be appropriate for them to submit their recommendations to the President's Biomedical Research Panel.

Authorized by Congress last June and appointed by the President in January, the Panel is charged with reviewing and making recommendations concerning the organization and operation of research conducted at NIH.

Another point is that a new Director of NIH will soon be appointed by the President. He should also be contacted by the group, as he has considerable authority over the internal organization of NIH.

However I said that while I agreed with the intent of their proposal and suspected that the new NIH Director might also, I doubted that neither the Administration nor the Director would want to make any such changes at NIH until the Panel had submitted its report.
DATE: April 14, 1975
JMC action required by: 5:30 meeting on April 15, 1975

TO: JIM CANNON

VIA: DICK DUNHAM, JIM CAVANAUGH

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COMMENTS:

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