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THE WHITE HOUSE

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Revenue Sharing

WASHINGTON

October 1, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

FROM

SUBJECT:

JIM CANNON MX R/STEV CONAHEY PAUL

Review of General Revenue Sharing Signing Ceremony Possibilities

The following points summarize our discussion of possible signing ceremonies for the General Revenue Sharing bill:

I. In General

There may be considerable benefit in signing this popular legislation outside of Washington. Two possible sites, California or New York, represent large, heavily urban and politically important States. Signing the bill outside of Washington could serve to enhance the anti-big government theme. However, the benefits could also be severely undercut by the appearance of political fakery and lack of involvement by major State and local government officials who are Democrats. A decision on signing the bill outside of Washington should rest heavily on polling data and other factors which might demonstrate that the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages.

II. California (San Francisco or Los Angeles areas)

Plus

- * Large urbanized areas
- * Heavy property tax burden
- * Receives substantial amounts under the program (\$2.9 billion to date)
- * State spends 100% of its shared revenues on education

Downside

- * San Francisco has been found in technical violation of the GRS Act relative to an audit of their uses of revenue sharing funds
- * Gov. Brown is not an active supporter of the program
- * Former Gov. Reagan and his supporters were not advocates of GRS

III. New York

Plus

- * Large urbanized areas
- * Ethnic voter groups
- * Demonstrated need for "no strings" financial assistance
- * Receives substantial amounts under the program (\$3.0 billion to date)

Downside

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- * President benefits in New York regardless of where he signs the bill
- IV. White House

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- * Presidential "non-partisan" arena
- * Signing statement directed to urban audiences and other affected constituencies
- * Ensures wide participation of Democratic and Republican officials
- * Possible involvement of citizens (invited in from tour lines)
- * Avoids claims of political fakery

General Romanie Sharing

WASHINGTON

October 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: ROBERT T. HARTMANN

FROM: JIM CANNON

SUBJECT: The President on Cities

Here's a point that might be useful in a speech:

The charge is often made that President Ford does not care about the cities, or has done nothing for them.

What is the record?

The fact is that the biggest step forward for cities in this century has been the Federal Revenue Sharing Program, and the fact is that Gerald Ford was the leader in winning Revenue Sharing for the cities, towns, communities and neighborhoods of this country.

Ford was the leader in the long battle to send the American taxpayer's money back to his community for local needs of cops, firemen, or whatever -- and also help hold down his property taxes.

Few people know that --

On the first key test vote in the House of Representatives on Revenue Sharing, which was passed 223-185 on June 21, 1972, Gerry Ford and the Republicans delivered 113 votes, and the Democrats 110 votes.

Four years later, on the key test vote in the House to continue Revenue Sharing for the cities, which passed 233-172 on June 10, 1976, President Ford's Republican members delivered 127 of the votes, and the Democrats 106 votes.

It is factual to say that President Ford has been the leader in getting and keeping the biggest single Federal program of aid to the cities.

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MEMORANDUM FOR	D MIL	ANNON	ine
FROM	PAUL	MYER	
SUBJECT:	Gener		- House

The House vote analysis on General Revenue Sharing (GRS) you requested this morning is as follows:

Test Vote 1: June 21, 1972, motion to adopt rule in support of GRS (adopted 223-185)

Rep. in favor of GRS = 113 (65% of Rep. voting; 57 opposed) Dem. in favor of GRS = 110 (128 opposed)

Test Vote 2: June 10, 1976, motion to adopt a stronger GRS program, the Fountain substitute (adopted 233-172)

Test Vote 3: September 30, 1976, motion to reduce GRS funds by \$600 million (defeated 147-252)



for the

SIGNATURE

WASHINGTON

October 21, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

SUBJECT:

JIM CANNON enue Sharing General **(**Rev

You should be aware of the fact that state, county and local officials throughout the country are most appreciative of your leadership in securing renewal of general revenue sharing. We have received numerous phone calls and letters from Governors, Mayors, county officials and other interested parties. Attached is a telegram from Bernard Hillenbrand, Executive Director of the National Association of Counties, and a letter from Governor Cecil Andrus of Idaho, Chairman of the National Governors' Conference (Attachments A). I have also attached two letters for your signature to Mr. Hillenbrand and Governor Andrus (Attachments B).

The two letters have been cleared by Hartmann's office.

Attachments

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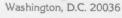
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Cecil D. Andrus Governor of Idaho Chairman

Stephen B. Farber Director

1150 Seventeenth Street N.W. Suite 600



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October 14, 1976

Washington, D. (202)785-5600 The President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I want you to know how pleased I am that you have signed into law the revenue sharing bill passed by Congress.

I want to express to you the appreciation of the Nation's Governors for your long and constant support for revenue sharing. Your personal support was critical to passage of a sound bill.

Sincerely,

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Cecil D. Andrus

Dear Bernie:

Thank you for your telegram expressing your appreciation on the renewal of general revenue sharing. I believe that approval of this legislation represents one of the most important accomplishments since I became President. With revenue sharing one can begin to restore decision-making to those officials closest to the people and thus restore local control over local resources.

I want to thank you and county officials throughout the country for the work you did to pass this vitally needed legislation.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bernard F. Hillenbrand Executive Director National Association of Counties AIA Building 1735 New York Avenue, NW. Washington, D.C. 20006

cc: Steve McConahey

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WASHINGTON

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Sincerely,

The Honorable Cecil D. Andrus Governor of Idaho Boise, Idaho 83701

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October 8, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JIM CANNON

FROM:

SUBJECT:

STEVE MCCONAHEY

Memorandum to the President Summarizing Support from GRS

Attached is a memorandum I suggest you send to the President summarizing the support and accolades that he has received as a result of his efforts in general revenue sharing.

Attachment

Note: Robert Hartmann's clearance attached.

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DRAFT letter to Bernard F. Hillenbrand, expressing appreciation for the work county officials have done on passage of GRS and thank you for his telegram of 9/28/76.

Dear Bernie:

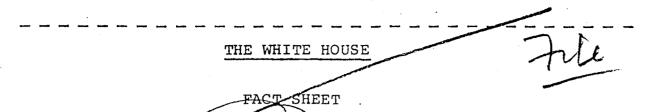
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Office of the White House Press Secretary



HART-SCOTT-RODING ANTITRUST IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 1976 (H.R. 8532)

President Ford signed the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 today. He noted that this legislation will contribute to the Administration's overall competition policy of vigorous antitrust enforcement and regulatory reform.

This Act:

- -- Broadens powers of the Department of Justice in conducting antitrust investigations.
- -- Requires advance notice to the Justice Department and the Federal Trade Commission of major corporate mergers and acquisitions.
- -- Authorizes state attorneys general to file suits to recover damages to citizens of the states resulting from certain antitrust violations.

MAJOR PROVISIONS

Title I. Antitrust Civil Process Act Amendments

This title adopts Administration-sponsored legislation to amend the Antitrust Civil Process Act of 1962. It authorizes the Department of Justice to issue a pre-complaint subpoena--called a Civil Investigative Demand ("CID") -- not only on targets of the investigation, as permitted under current law, but also to third parties (e.g., suppliers and customers) who have information relevant to an investigation. The bill would also allow the Department to obtain, not only documentary evidence as under current law, but also answers to oral and written questions from recipients of such a CID. These amendments also provide safeguards, including right to counsel by the recipient of the CID, to assure that these powers are not abused.

Title II. Premerger Notification

H.R. 8532 requires companies with assets or sales in excess of \$100 million to notify the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission in advance of the acquisition of, or merger with, any company with assets or sales in excess of \$10 million. This will allow the antitrust enforcement agencies sufficient time to investigate the competitive consequences of major mergers and acquisitions and, if necessary, to obtain injunctive relief before steps have been taken toward consolidation of the operations.

(more)

Title III. Parens Patriae

H.R. 8532 would authorize state attorneys general to bring suits in Federal district court on behalf of state residents for violations of the antitrust provisions of the Sherman Act.

Mandatory treble damages would be awarded in successful suits and would either be distributed to individuals in a manner approved by the court or deposited with the state as general revenues. In price-fixing cases, damages could be proved in the aggregate by using statistical sampling or other measures without the necessity of proving damages to each individual on whose behalf the suit was brought.

The bill prohibits state attorneys general from hiring outside lawyers on a contingency fee based on a percentage of the award. However, it would allow private attorneys to bring suit on behalf of the state and their fees would be determined by the court.

SUMMARY

In his signing statement, the President noted that the first two titles of the bill--the Antitrust Civil Process Act amendments and premerger notification--were desirable. In addition, the President reiterated his concerns with the potential for abuse of the parens patriae title and said that its implementation would be carefully reviewed to assure that it was responsibly enforced.

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Signing of General Revenue Sharing

I understand that Westchester County is still being considered as the site for the signing of the General Revenue Sharing. As I expected, Mayor Martinelli of Yonkers called me this morning objecting to this location. He states that Yonkers is a soundly Democratic city that has strongly supported Republican Presidents. In addition, he emphasized the fact that Yonkers has experienced the severe financial problems of cities in the northeast corridor, but that they are currently moving into the black. He feels that signing revenue sharing in Yonkers makes more political sense and would provide a more appropriate setting for an "urban area" pitch by the President.

cc: Art Quern Paul Myer



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October 6, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

JIM CAVANAUGH

ART QUERN

FROM

SUBJECT:

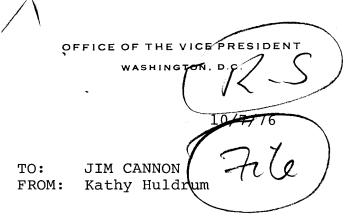
Proposed General Revenue Sharing Bill Signing Ceremony

It is my understanding that the possible sites for a General Revenue Sharing bill signing ceremony have narrowed down to Yonkers, New York, or at the White House. I strongly believe that the selection of Yonkers would be a mistake and recommend that the ceremony be scheduled for Thursday, October 14, at the White House.

cc: Jim Cannon



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Malcolm Wilson called the Vice President this afternoon and dictated the attached thoughts for the President to use when signing the General Revenue Sharing bill. Suggestions for the President's remarks - Revenue Sharing Bill Signing Yonkers, New York October 13

"I sign this Revenue Sharing Bill in the City Hall in Yonkers, New York for three reasons:

- Yonkers is one of the very many cities in this state and throughout the nation whose taxpayers and citizens will benefit from the provisions of this bill.
- 2. It is in Westchester County, the home county of my Vice President, Nelson A. Rockefeller, who when he was Governor of New York, led the nationwide fight which secured the enactment of the first Revenue Sharing Bill.
- 3. In Yonkers, which is the home city of Malcolm Wilson, who when he was Lieutenant Governor, made the initial proposal on this subject.

Suggested Insert for Revenue Sharing

10/11/76

I am proud because we had to overcome Democratic opposition to get revenue sharing continued for the people. Democrats in Congress started fighting revenue sharing when I sent the bill up in April of 1975, and some Democratic Congressmen were still trying to block revenue sharing on the last day that Congress met.

General Revenue Sharing

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Monday, Oct. 11

MEMO TO: MR. CANNON

FROM: CAMERON

Steve McConahey just called. I gave him your message on the GRS Signing Ceremony. Steve asked that I tell you the following:

"Given the late notification, the location, and the political nature of the President's trip, we are not anticipating a high acceptance rate from those invited to the GRS Signing Ceremony.

However, we are inviting most of the people on the original list."

4:30 p.m.



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Mon. 10/11

JMC:

This is the participants list for the General Revenue Sharing Signing Ceremony

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GENERAL REVENUE SHARING BILL SIGNING CEREMONY PARTICIPANTS

Possible State and Local Elected Officials

I. National Governors' Conference

Officers Α. (Chairman) Andrus D-Idaho R-Iowa Ray D-Florida Askew Blanton D-Tenn. Godwin R-Va. Bennett R-Kansas R-So. Car. Edwards Rhodes R-Ohio Link D-No. Dakota Others в. Lucey D-Wis. (GRS Comm. Chairman) R-Missouri Bond Longley I-Maine Tompson R-N. H. Milliken R-Michigan D-N. Jersey Byrne D-New York Carey C. Staff Farber Executive Director Staff Martin

II. Mayors

A. National League of Cities -- Officers

Tanzler	D-Jacksonville, Fla.	(Pres.)
Lamplere	I-Seattle, Wash.	
Moody	R-Columbus, Ohio	
Romero-	D-San Juan, P. R.	
Barcello		

II. (cont'd.)

B. U. S. Conference of Mayors -- Officers

Gibson	D-Neward, N. J.	(Pres.)
Alexander	D-Syracuse, N. Y.	
McNichols	D-Denver, Colo.	

C. General Revenue Sharing Committee Co-Chairmen

Poelker	D-St.	Louis, Mo.
Landrieu	D-New	Orleans, La.

D. Others -- Republicans

San Diego, Calif. Wilson Cleveland, Ohio Perk Carver Peoria, Illinois Hance Phoenix, Ariz. Henderson El Paso, Texas Oakland, Calif. Reading LaFortune Tulsa, Oklahoma Murphy Tucson, Ariz. Albuquerque, N. M. Kinney Olson Des Moines, Iowa Martinelli Yonkers, N. Y. Cianci Providence, R. I. Shaw Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Paterson, N. J. Cramer Hunter Youngstown, Ohio King Independence, Mo. Stamford, Conn. Clapes Cmich Canton, Ohio Lakewood, Colorado Richey Indianapolis, Indiana Hudnut Taft Cranston, R. I. Tupelo, Mississippi Whitaker DelVecchio White Plains, N. Y. Duci Schenectady, N. Y. Mt. Vernon, N. York Petrillo

E. Others -- Democrats

Beame	New York, New York
Goldschmidt	Portland, Oregon
Folsom	Dallas, Texas
Overcash	Ft. Worth, Texas
Makowski	Buffalo, New York
Ryan	Rochester, New York

II. (cont'd.)

Fulton	Nashville,	Tenn.
Ferre	Miami, Fla.	
Dunn	Elizabeth,	N. J.
Corning	Albany, N.	Υ.
Errichetti	Camden, N.	Jersey

E. Others -- Democrats (cont'd.)

F. Staff

Gunther	Exec.	Dir.,	USCM
Beals	Exec.	Dir.,	NLC
Brodie	Staff		
Honey	Staff		
Chaney	Staff		

III. National Association of Counties

<u>A.</u>	Officers	
	Lynch Beach Mills Williams Francois Webb	<pre>?-Douglass County, Neb. (Pres.) D-Montgomery County, Tenn. R-Orange County, N. Y. ?-Genesse County, Mich. ?-Prince Georges County, Md. I-Kern County, Calif.</pre>
<u>B.</u>	Others	
	Casso Kline	R-Suffolk County, N. Y. R-Nagsald County, N. Y. -Westchester County, N. Y.

IV. National Conference of State Legislatures

A. Officers

Sabo	D-Minn.	(Pres.)
Anderson	R-Colo.	
Boe	D-Oregon	

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IV. (cont'd.)

в.	Others

Jensen

R-Tenn.

C. Staff

Mackey Sweet Clements Exec. Dir. Staff Staff

V. Others

A. Treasury Department

Secretary Simon Under Secretary Thomas Assistant Secretary Eberle General Counsel Albrecht Jeanna Tully, ORS Director

B. Outside Groups and Individuals

Bill Taylor, Center for Policy Review Ruth Clusen, League of Women Voters Richard Lesher, Chamber of Commerce Ivan Elmer, Chamber of Commerce Dick Nathan, Brookings Institute Robert Merriam, ACIR Woody Ginsburg, Center for Community Change Dick Thompson, Revenue Sharing Advisory Service Charls Walker, Charls Walker Associates

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WASHINGTON

October 12, 1976

BILL SIGNING CEREMONY -- H. R. 13367 THE STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL ASSISTANCE AMENDMENTS OF 1976 (GENERAL REVENUE SHARING)

> Wednesday, October 13, 1976 9:00 a.m. City Hall, Yonkers, New York

From: Jim Cannon

I. PURPOSE

To sign H. R. 13367, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act Amendments of 1976, authorizing extension of the General Revenue Sharing program.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS & PRESS PLAN

A. <u>Background</u>: The current authorization for the General Revenue Sharing program expires on December 31, 1976. H. R. 13367 would extend this program for an additional 3 3/4 years (beginning January 1, 1977 until September 30, 1980), authorizing entitlement payments of \$25.6 billion during this period.

H. R. 13367 is consistent with your recommendations to renew the General Revenue Sharing program. It preserves the essential concept of the current Act, retains the basic distribution formula, provides continued growth in funding, improves and strengthens the citizen participation and civil rights provisions, and grants the Secretary of the Treasury greater latitude in administering the program.

- B. Participants: See Tab A.
- C. Press Plan: Open Coverage.

III. TALKING POINTS *Presidential Remarks Prepared

- 1. General Revenue Sharing is the "people's program."
- 2. This program has provided substantial fiscal assistance to help States and communities serve the needs of the people.
- 3. I have led the successful fight for General Revenue Sharing in 1972 and 1976 over opposition from Democratic Congress.
- 4. Unlike my opponent, I will fight for renewal in 1980 as President.

TAB A

GENERAL REVENUE SHARING BILL SIGNING CEREMONY PARTICIPANTS

Invited State and Local Elected Officials and Others

Hon. Cecil ANDRUS, Gov. of Idaho; Chairman, National Governors' Conference Hon. Robert RAY, Gov. of Iowa Hon. Patrick LUCEY, Gov. of Wisconsin Hon. James LONGLEY, Gov. of Maine Hon. William MILLIKEN, Gov. of Michigan Mr. Steve FARBER, Exec. Dir., National Governors' Conference Hon. Hans TANZLER, Mayor of Jacksonville, Fla.; President, National League of Cities Hon. Kenneth GIBSON, Mayor of Newark, N. J.; President, U. S. Conference of Mayors Hon. John POELKER, Mayor of St. Louis, Mo. Hon. Daniel LYNCH, County Exec. of Douglass County, Neb.; President, National Association of Counties Mr. John GUNTHER, Exec. Dir., U. S. Conference of Mayors Mr. Bernie HILLENBRAND, Exec. Dir., National Association of Counties Hon. Martin SABO, Pres., National Conference of State Legislatures Mr. Earl MACKEY, Exec. Dir., National Conference of State Legislatures Hon. George DIXON, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury Hon. Richard ALBRECHT, Gen. Counsel, Department of the Treasury Hon. Harold EBERLE, Asst. Secretary, Department of the Treasury Ms. Jeanna TULLY, Director, Office of Revenue Sharing Hon. Peter WILSON, Mayor of San Diego, California Hon. Ralph PERK, Mayor of Cleveland, Ohio Hon. Richard CARVER, Mayor of Peoria, Illinois Hon. Vincent CIANCI, Mayor of Providence, Rhode Island Hon. Lawrence CRAMER, Mayor of Paterson, N. J. Hon. Jack HUNTER, Mayor of Youngstown, Ohio Hon. Richard KING, Mayor of Independence, Mo. Hon. Stanley CMICH, Mayor of Canton, Ohio Hon. Richard HUDNUT, Mayor of Indianapolis, Indiana Hon. James TAFT, Mayor of Cranston, Rhode Island Hon. Frank DUCI, Mayor of Schenectady, New York Hon. August PETRILLO, Mayor of Mt. Vernon, New York Hon. Louis MILLS, County Exec. of Orange County, New York Hon. Ralph CASO , County Exec. of Nassau County, New York Hon. John KLINE, County Exec. of Suffolk County, New York Hon. Thomas JENSEN, Tennessee State Legislator Mr. James MARTIN, National Governors' Conference Ms. Dorothy BRODIE, U. S. Conference of Mayors

TAB A -- Page Two

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Mr. Stephen "Tim" HONEY, National League of Cities Ms. Carolyn CHANEY, National League of Cities Mr. Ralph TABOR, National Association of Counties Ms. Aliceann FRITSCHLER, National Association of Counties Mr. Paul SWEET, National Conference of State Legislatures Ms. Joyce CLEMENTS, National Conference of State Legislatures Mr. Robert MERRIAM, Advisory Council on Intergovernmental Relations Hon. Jerry Thomas, Under Secretary of the Treasury

In addition, the advance team has invited State and local officials from New York. List must be updated.

CONGRESSIONAL PARTICIPATION

The New York Republican delegation has been invited to attend. The following are expected to be present at this time:

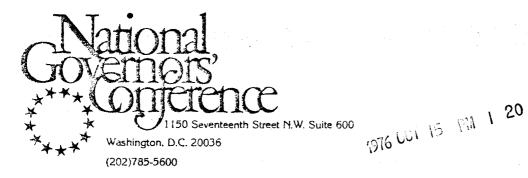
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Cecil D. Andrus Governor of Idaho Chairman

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October 14, 1976

The President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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October 18, 1976

MEMO TO:

JIM CAVANAUGH

FROM:

JIM CANNON JMC

SUBJECT: Yonkers and Revenue Sharing

You might like to know how it happened that we were not told about Yonkers' civil rights problem until after we were committed to sign the legislation there.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

FROM

SUBJECT:

ART OUERN PAUL MYER

Requested Information on Preparation for Revenue Sharing Bill Signing Ceremony

<u>Week of October 3</u> -- The Office of Revenue Sharing (ORS) was asked to assist in the preparation of statistical data and other revenue sharing information for those places the President would be visiting in New York, including Yonkers. This has been a standard procedure for Presidential travel during the past year. An essential element in this review was noting and providing any information on potential problems or issues relating to those places and the use of revenue sharing funds. In addition, ORS was informed that Yonkers was under consideration as the site for signing of the renewal act.

The White House received no information relating to any major problem or issue with respect to Yonkers, New York.

Friday, October 8 -- ORS was informed that Yonkers would be the site of the signing ceremony, and they were asked to prepare additional information for this event.

<u>Tuesday, October 12</u> -- During the morning, I had at least six phone contacts with ORS regarding Yonkers, the bill signing ceremony and preparation of the briefing paper. The only negative information discovered related to a minor audit problem and the fact that Yonkers received the lowest per capita payment for any city of comparable size nationally. This information was forwarded to Jim Cannon prior to his departure with the President. There was no mention of any civil rights problems in Yonkers.

That afternoon I was called by you regarding a rumored civil rights complaint involving Yonkers and was directed to look into this matter. The first person at ORS to respond to my call was the Public Relations Director, Priscilla Crane. She informed me that there was, in fact, a pending civil rights complaint against Yonkers and that a NEW YORK TIMES reporter had been seeking information on this matter. Upon obtaining the facts which indicated that there was substance to the alledged discrimination, I expressed my concern that no one was apparently aware of the case or the seriousness of the allegation and the failure to bring this to the attention of the White House. Her response was to the effect that: "I have known about this matter, but no one asked me."

That evening on a plane to New York City, I was given the Yonkers civil rights file by ORS Director Tully. She indicated to me that her staff had, in fact, reviewed this matter in the course of responding to our previous requests for information on Yonkers. However, in their judgment, it did not appear to be a major problem and was, in fact, pending at the Justice Department's Community Relations Service. For that reason, I was told it was not brought to the attention of the White House.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 14, 1976: 8 54

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JIM CANNON ART QUERN

FROM: SUBJECT:

Yonkers and Revenue Sharing

Attached is the chronology of our contacts with the Treasury Department in preparing the briefing materials for the President's visit to Yonkers.

As you can see, the Office of Revenue Sharing admits being aware of the civil rights complaint against Yonkers but did not bring this to the attention of the White House.

I believe this matter should be called to the attention of Dick Cheney and Secretary Simon.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 21, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

FROM

SUBJECT:

PAUL MYER

JIM CANNON ART QUERN

Countercyclical and GRS Briefing -- See Attached Treasury Memorandum

The above briefing is set for November 4, 1976.

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October 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Jeanna Tully, Director Office of Revenue Sharing

FROM:

Jerry Thomas (Initialled) JT Under Secretary

SUBJECT:

Conference on Anti-Recession Assistance Program and on the Renewed GRS Program

It would be advisable to hold a day-long or a halfday conference in Washington very soon to inform interested groups about how we plan to administer the anti-recession assistance program and the renewed revenue sharing program. You and others from the Office of Revenue Sharing and representatives from the Census Bureau and the Department of Labor could speak about important aspects of both programs and answer questions.

In this way representatives of the various national public interest groups (such as the National Conference of Governors, National Association of County Officials, Municipal Finance Officers Association, and civil rights groups) as well as representatives of State based and regional groups interested in attending, can be briefed on the programs and, in turn, can report back to their memberships through newsletters and their own participation in State and local meetings. This will enable us, at a considerable savings, to keep the public interest groups informed at both the national and the regional levels without having to travel and participate at meetings all over the country at a time when working out regulations and new procedures for both programs requires our full attention.

Incidentally, another measure that ORS might explore as part of its efforts to keep recipients informed is the possibility of having a phone hook-up from Washington to various regional and State conferences so that questions can be answered without taking the time and spending the mondy for travel. I suggest that you schedule a briefing on the two programs here in Washington for some time later this month. This ought not involve undue expense for the Treasury since the session can be held in a government auditorium of available size to accommodate the expected turnout.

Please advise me of your views on this matter at your earliest convenience.

cc: Richard R. Albrecht Kent Peterson George H. Dixon

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

October 26, 1976

MEMO TO:

JIM CANNON

FROM:

PAUL MYER

VIA:

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SUBJECT:

ALLEN MOORE Letters to persons attending revenue sharing signing ceremony.

Paul thinks you should consider sending a letter (over your signature) to the "A" list of officials (i.e. those who attended ceremony) enclosing a signing pen.

Paul will modify the President's letter and produce for your signature.

Agree	

Disagree

President is away, but has asked

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Chairman Stephen B. Farber Director

Mr. James M. Cannon Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Jim:

Many thanks for your letter of November 2 and the ceremonial pen from Yonkers.

There are many persons whose strong efforts contributed to final passage of H.R. 13367. But it is clear that the unremitting support from the White House was critical to the passage of a sound revenue sharing bill this year.

For me it has been a great pleasure to work closely with you during the past year. I hope our paths will cross again soon.

Sincerely,

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Stephen B. Farber



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cc: Myer



THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220

November 8, 1976

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Dear Jim:

Thank you very much for the President Ford ceremonial pen commemorating the passage of the Revenue Sharing legislation. I am delighted to have this memento of what is going to turn out to be a comparatively short time in Washington.

Best to you,

Sincerely yours, George H. Dixon

The Honorable James M. Cannon Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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RICHARD L. LESHER PRESIDENT

> Mr. James M. Cannon Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Cannon:

Please accept my gratitude for the ceremonial pen which you had sent me as a memento of H.R. 13367, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Amendments of 1976.

I very much appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Lesher



ADVISORY COMMISSION ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20575

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Mr. James M. Cannon Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Jim:

Many thanks for the Revenue Sharing memento and the kind remarks.

I am just sorry that the American people didn't have the good judgment to return the President for a full term. In any event, I want to thank both you and him for your leadership in our intergovernmental activities. I plan to continue as Chairman of ACIR, thanks to the President's reappointment.

I hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

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Robert E. Merriam



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REPLY TO: MR. ROBERT E. MERIAM EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT URBAN INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT CO. SUITE 800, WATER TOWER PLACE, 845 N. MICHIGAN AVE., CHICAGO, ILL. 60611, (312) 440-3385

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cc: Myer

FRED E. ANDERSON President of Senate State Senator 1931 East First Street Loveland, Colorado 80537



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November 12, 1976

Mr. James M. Cannon Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs The White House Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Cannon:

I was most pleased to receive from you in the mail the President's ceremonial pen as a memento of H.R. 13367. Your thoughtfulness in presenting me with this keepsake is sincerely appreciated and I would be indebted to you if you would extend my feelings and thanks to the President.

I am proud that I was able to contribute some small part in obtaining this valuable piece of legislation and your recognition is truly meaningful.

Sincerely,

Fred E. Anderson President of Senate

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OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER MINNESOTA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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November 19, 1976

Mr. James M. Cannon Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs The White House Washington, D.C. 20000

Dear Mr. Cannon:

I was so pleased to receive the ceremonial pen as a souvenir of H.R. 13367, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Amendments of 1976.

Please thank the President for me. It is a gift I shall always cherish.

Sincerely,

Martin O. Salo

Martin O. Sabo Speaker



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