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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

ACTION

August 29, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: ~~ROY A. ASH~~
SUBJECT: Appointment of Associate Director -
National Security and International
Affairs

This memo is to seek your approval for me to appoint Don Ogilvie to this Level IV position. Dolph Bridgewater, the incumbent, is departing in late September to fulfill his commitment to return to McKinsey & Company. In selecting a successor, I believe these criteria should be met:

- Philosophical compatibility with your views on the need to maintain a strong national defense,
- Ability to critically assess defense expenditures and contribute toward submission of a balanced budget for 1976,
- Overall ability to work with and gain the respect of White House officials and the Congress.

Don Ogilvie (resume at TAB A) has been Deputy Associate Director - National Security and International Affairs for 1 1/2 years. He graduated from Yale and Stanford Business School, spent 2 1/2 years in the Defense Department, and built a successful public policy consulting firm from 1969 until joining OMB last year.

He is a registered Independent in the District, but is philosophically very much a Republican and totally consistent with your views on defense. His experience in defense and OMB would provide the expertise and continuity needed as we enter the budget season. Finally, he has the personal skills to work well with your new team and with key members of the Congress.

I recommend you authorize me to appoint Don Ogilvie to this position. The White House Personnel Office (Dave Wimer) agrees with the selection.

Approve *W.F.S.* Disapprove _____

