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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN...¹³

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INFORMATION

WASHINGTON

September 7, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
 FROM: KEN COLE
 SUBJECT: Hurricane Carmen

Situation

Hurricane Carmen carrying winds of up to 160 miles per hour, is approximately 150 miles off the Louisiana-Mississippi coast. It is expected to hit land at sunset this evening. State evacuation centers are now open and evacuation routes in Mississippi and Louisiana are crowded. The Red Cross and Salvation Army also have emergency centers open.

Federal Action

Before Federal relief efforts can be initiated a request from the Governor of the State must be received. Federal Disaster Assistance Administration personnel from Atlanta and Denver are in the area at this time and are prepared to make an immediate assessment of the damage and move the Governor's request to you without delay. The Federal relief effort includes assistance from the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration, HUD, HEW, Agriculture, the Small Business Administration and the Corps of Engineers.

FDA has alerted the military units in the area to render any assistance possible.

Jim Falk of the Domestic Council's Intergovernmental Relations Office is in touch with the Governors in the affected States. Bill Timmons' staff is handling the Congressional calls that are coming in. We've also briefed the Press Office on the status of our activities.

9/7, 74 - 1 P.M.

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 was in Florida at Weather Control Station

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September 11, 1974

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: KENNETH R. COLE
FROM: JERRY H. JONES
SUBJECT: Hurricane Charley

Your memorandum to the President of September 7 on the above subject has been reviewed and the following notation was made:

-- I talked with Sec. of Com. who was in Florida at Weather Control Station. 9/7/74 1:00 p.m.

cc: Al Haig