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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 11, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: DONALD RUMSFELD

FROM: JOHN S. GUTHRIE *JSG*

SUBJECT: Presidential News Summary Distribution

On several occasions recently, I have had questions from the Cabinet officers as to whether they can receive copies of the daily news summary.

I have been informed that past policy was that distribution was limited to the White House staff. The summary is currently sent to 137 staff members. Paul Miltich has told me that he has no objection to sending the summary to the Cabinet.

The advantage of adding the Cabinet to distribution of the news summary is not only that they will be better informed early in the morning, but that they will feel that this is a part of the President's closer relations with his Cabinet.

Recommend that the Staff Secretary add the Cabinet officers to daily distribution of the news summary immediately.

Approve *JSG* Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_