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MEMORANDUM

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 5, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

I have just received the final medical report from Dr. Gary Knipling, Dale City Animal Hospital, Dale City, Virginia, who has been caring for Liberty. He has received the consultation report from a radiologist in veterinary medicine who has confirmed his initial diagnosis regarding Liberty's condition. Liberty has a non-specific inflammation of the bone in her left front leg, known medically as panosteitis. This occurs in larger dogs and is associated with the rapid growth stage. It may persist intermittently over a period for the first 18 months. It is generally self-limited and does not result in any permanent disability. Dr. Knipling has injected Liberty with a cortisone drug today. He will follow her periodically and may prescribe simple medications such as Bufferin for any recurrence of pain.

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