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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 18, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

VIA:

DICK CHENEY

JAMES CONNOR

FROM:

WARREN RUSTAND

SUBJECT:

Henry Dormann Dinner on March 5

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ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:

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WARREN RUSTAND JERRY H. Henry Dormann Dinner on March 5

Your memorandum to Dick Cheney on the above subject has been reviewed by the President and the letter of regret and video tape offer was approved. The following notation was also made:

> -- Should a good letter be sent signed by me. A very deep personal regret, etc.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld Dick Cheney Jim Connor