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THE WHITE HOUSE

March 3, 1975

MR. PRESIDENT:

Attached for your information is a copy of Ron Nessen's briefing from today.



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AT THE WHITE HOUSE WITH RON NESSEN AT 12:20 P.M. EDT MARCH 3, 1975 MONDAY

MR. NESSEN: At 8 o'clock this morning, the President had a regular weekly meeting with the Republican Congressional leaders. It was in the Cabinet Room, and I think you have seen a list of those who attended.

Then, Senator Scott and Congressman Rhodes came out here to give a report on the meeting. For those of you who were not here then, there will be a transcript ready shortly that you can read through.

Basically, what happened at the meeting was the President went around and asked the various Republican leaders for their comments on the two Democratic outlines on energy that came up this weekend.

The President also talked about the veto that he intends to make of the deferral of his oil tariff authority and he talked a little about the possibility that he may delay the imposition of the second dollar.

Other than that, I think probably Congressman Rhodes and Senator Scott gave you what you need out of that meeting.

Q That second dollar has already been imposed, hasn't it?

MR. NESSEN: Right.

Q You mean revoking it?

MR. NESSEN: No, it would not be a revocation. It would be a delay that would be retroactive if he decided to do it.

Q Was there any discussion of the third dollar?

MR. NESSEN: No.

Q Does the second dollar go on automatically on Saturday?

MR. NESSEN: Yes. The proclamation that he originally signed had a timetable.

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