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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 15, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: JERRY H. JOHNSON
SUBJECT: Congressional Mail
May 13, 1975

Your memorandum to the President of May 14 on the above subject has been reviewed and the following numbers were circled:

- 6.S Robt Morgan
- 1. Thos. Downing
- 19 Bill Chappell
- 20. John Paul Hammerschmidt
- 26. Bud Shuster

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld

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May 14, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *m.l.f.*

SUBJECT: Congressional Mail

For your information, I am attaching the log of Congressional mail received on May 13.

This mail is being handled routinely by my office.

cc: Don Rumsfeld

Senate

1. S Thos. McIntyre On behalf of Seniors' Place in Nashua, N.H., extends an open invitation to the President to include this facility on his itinerary during any future trip he might take to the State.
2. S Howard Baker In behalf of the Union University (near Jackson, Tennessee), extends an invitation to the President to attend the dedication ceremonies of the new campus, during the week of Sept 15.
3. S Henry Jackson Urges the President to approve H.R. 25; believes that the bill achieves a balance between the need to protect the environment and the need to develop our coal reserves to meet our national energy requirements.
4. S John Stennis Recommends that John H. Holloman, III, be appointed to the FPC.
5. S Ted Stevens Recommends that Abbott Washburn be reappointed to the FCC.
6. S Robt Morgan Strongly urges that whatever action that is necessary be taken to recover the American ship which was seized by a Cambodian naval vessel. Does not believe that the moral fibre of this country can stand another Pueblo incident and also does not believe that our allies will continue to have any respect for us if we permit such incidents to continue.
7. S Barry Goldwater Conveys the interest of Bob Franklin of the Phoenix Lodge of the Elks in the President doing an eight minute tape for them for Flag Day.
8. S Mark Hatfield Thought that it would interest the President to know that he has discovered a source for copies of "Portrait of an Assassin." It is Second Story Books, located at 5016 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. These are mint copies, and supply is limited.

House

1. Thos. Downing "You have my full support for any action under War Powers Act to effect immediate safe return of the MAYAGUEZ, the crew and cargo. "
2. M. Caldwell Butler Urge the President to veto H.R. 25, the Surface
Thos. Downing Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1975.
William Wampler
Robert Daniel
J. Kenneth Robinson
W. C. Daniel
David Satterfield
3. Larry Pressler Continues to believe that passage of the Emergency Farm Assistance Bill will be in the best interest of American agriculture; feels that the Farm Belt Republican Congressmen will have a difficult time aligning themselves with a 1976 national GOP ticket which produced a major farm veto.
4. Dan Daniel Hopes that if the President vetoes the Emergency Farm Bill that consideration will be given without delay to the question of administrative relief for the milk producers.
5. Spark Matsunaga Suggests that George Jessel receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom award.
6. Carl Perkins Recommends that Eugene E. Siler, Jr. be appointed as U. S. District Judge for Eastern Kentucky.
7. Spark Matsunaga Urges the President to accept invitation to serve as keynote speaker at the dedication ceremonies early this summer of the new national headquarters of the Japanese American Citizens League in S. F.
8. Harley Staggers Expresses gratitude to the President for taking the time to meet with the West Virginia Strawberry Queen and her party last Friday.
9. Charles Bennett Asks that birthday greetings be sent to Mrs. Ethel Adams and Tryphena Holloway.

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10. John B. Conlan Sends the President a copy of his letter to the Romanian Ambassador expressing concern about reports of suppression of religious liberty in Romania and asking whether reports are true.
11. Walter Fauntroy Asks that the President pardon William B. Ellerbe who is seeking to have his dishonorable Army discharge of Nov 3, 1954, set aside.
12. Edward Koch Believes that when a regime is as repressive as that of South Korea, we must either take the necessary diplomatic action to end that repression or end the flow of our money and troops now supporting it; asks for the President's comments on this matter.
13. Albert Quie Understands that the President has been invited to join an extremely large gathering of Swedes when Svenskarnas Day is celebrated in Minneapolis; it would be a great thrill for many Minnesotans to hear from the President at that time; also, the Republican Party of Minnesota would be most anxious to hold a fund-raising event at that time.
14. John McFall Recommends that Frank E. Denholm be appointed to the U. S. Court of Military Appeals.
15. John E. Moss Endorses Nicholas B. Clinch for appointment as Director of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation in the Department of the Interior.
16. The Speaker Acknowledges receipt of the President's May 9 letter transmitting a justification for Presidential determination to permit security assistance to Spain.
17. L.A. Bafalis Recommends that Judge Peter T. Fay be appointed to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.
18. Charles Bennett Asks that Presidential birthday greetings be sent to Mrs. H. G. Cowart.

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19. Bill Chappell

"Urge you give the Cambodian Communists 48 hours to return the MAYAGUEZ, crew and cargo or risk U.S. naval and air intervention." Believes that as long as Communist regimes believe that we as a nation lack the will or the military capacity to protect our legitimate int'l interests, these type of incidents will grow in number.

20. John Paul Hammer-
schmidt

"Believe it imperative that prompt, decisive measures be taken to recover MAYAGUEZ and crew. Friend and foe alike must recognize our foreign policy includes protecting our citizens and ships engaged in legitimate commerce on the high seas. . . You have my Congressional support for such action you consider necessary in this situation."

21. Walter B. Jones

Asks that consideration be given to the request of Charles D. Edwards who would like for the President to issue a proclamation in honor of Midgett Day on June 28.

22. Romano Mazzoli

When the President receives the recommendations of the U.S. Int'l Trade Commission, urges that he approve the retention of current quota and tariff rates on broomcorn brooms, which are important to industries which employ the blind.

23. George Miller

Supports invitation to the President from the mayor of the City of Richmond, California, regarding the dedication of the Social Security building and postal facility in that city in August.

24. Charles B. Rangel

Thanks President for his kind words and hospitality at the state dinner in honor of President Kaunda. "I and millions of Black Americans felt a great sense of pride in your honoring of this distinguished Black African leader during the weekend of the American revolution." The Congressional Black Caucus stands ready to assist the President in our nation's efforts to undo the mistakes of the past and build a new policy toward Africa, etc.

25. Bill Frenzel

Recommends that Mel Heckt be reappointed to the President's Commission on Mental Retardation.

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Bud Shuster

Urges the President to request international observers to board the MAYAGUEZ with us when we regain possession, so there can be no question but that we are "clean as a whistle" on this one.