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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 15, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHILIP BUCHEN

JAMES E. CONNOR

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Caspar Weinberger's memo of June 24, 1975 re Department of Defense's Policy with respect to women having abortions in hospitals on military bases

The President has reviewed your memorandum of July 1 on the above subject and requested that you prepare a response to Cap from him. It was further noted:

> "But, there is some sound merit to Cap's comment on creditility - Why did DOD do it without some forewarning?"

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Don Rumsfeld

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

July 11, 1975

MR PRESIDENT:

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Cap Weinberger's attached memorandum to you is essentially for information purposes. In staffing it, however, we discovered some strong feelings which you might wish to consider.

Jack Marsh concurred with the sentiments expressed in the memo. Both Jim Cannon and Phil Buchen were distressed with Cap's position. Their comments are attached. Bob Hartmann was unable to comment.

No specific action on your part is needed now. Phil Buchen has the action in this area. Should he draft a response to Cap for you?

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