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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 24, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: L. WILLIAM SEIDMAN
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*
SUBJECT: Economic Policy Board/National Security
Council Food Committee

The President reviewed your memorandum of September 15th and approved the following recommendations:

That the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of State serve as Co-Chairmen of the Food Committee with the Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs responsible for coordinating the staff work.

That the Food Committee consist of the following:

- Secretary of State
- Secretary of the Treasury
- Secretary of Agriculture
- Secretary of Labor
- Secretary of Commerce
- Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers
- Director, Office of Management and Budget
- Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs
- Executive Director, CIEP
- Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Don Rumsfeld
Robert Linder

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 15, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: L. WILLIAM SEIDMAN *hws*

SUBJECT: Economic Policy Board/National Security Council
Food Committee

On September 9 you publically announced the formation of a Food Committee of the Economic Policy Board/National Security Council to monitor developments with respect to the sale of grains to the U.S.S.R.

The Committee would be responsible, under your direction, for:

- (1) Clearing negotiating instructions for a long-term grain sale to the Soviet Union.
- (2) Making recommendations regarding the amount of additional sales of grain to the Soviet Union during the 1975-76 crop year.
- (3) Considering the issue of shipping freight rates and any revision of the proportion of tonnage carried in U.S. vessels of grain shipments to the Soviet Union.
- (4) Developing and maintaining data on grain production and exports.

Recommendations

That the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of State serve as Co-Chairmen of the Food Committee with the Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs responsible for coordinating the staff work.

This recommendation is supported by both the EPB Executive Committee and the National Security Council.

Approve

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Disapprove

Recommendation: That the Food Committee consist of the following:

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Approve MEY Disapprove _____