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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 26, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JERRY JONES

FROM:

JIM CONNOR

The attached letter was returned in the President's outbox with the following notation:

"Old and very dear friend"

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Don Rumsfeld





SUPERINTENDENT UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY KINGS POINT, LONG ISLAND, N.Y. 11024

September 17, 1975

The President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your letter of April 17, 1975. I was pleased to hear from you and to know that perhaps the Merchant Marine Academy could be included in your "Commencement" schedule for 1976. Therefore, at this time I would like to officially issue you an invitation to address our graduating class on the 21st of June 1976, our graduation day.

As I mentioned in my last letter, graduation here is held outdoors in our stadium in a very attractive setting and is easily accessible by helicopter.

We have been watching you and Betty on TV. You are coming forth "loud and clear" with extreme honesty and effectiveness. This is just an observation from a biased family watching you.

Edna and I send our best wishes to you and Betty for continued success in 1976.

Sincerely,

A. B. ENGEL Rear Admiral, USCG (Ret)