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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 14, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CANNON
FROM: JIM CONNOR JEC
SUBJECT: Uranium Enrichment

The President reviewed your memorandum of November 10 recommending a Telephone Call to Senator Pastore. The following notations were made:

"11/13/75 - Senator Pastore will let our witnesses testify first. I assumed this meant Bob Seamans et al.
- December 2nd is date."

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

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WASHINGTON

11/13/75

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED
TELEPHONE CALL

November 10, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM : JIM CANNON *JC*
SUBJECT : Uranium Enrichment

Before you meet with Senator Pastore on uranium enrichment, you asked me to talk with Senator Baker.

Senator Baker recommends that you telephone Senator Pastore and ask Pastore and Baker to come to the White House to discuss uranium enrichment.

Baker says that both he and Pastore want the next increment of uranium enrichment to be a government add-on.

However, your senior staff members who have most closely followed uranium enrichment developments believe we have a reasonable chance to get legislation which would enable private industry to build the next increment and future plants.

LATEST DEVELOPMENT

1. The GAO Report was made public on October 31. As we expected, the report recommends that:
 - a. The next increase of enrichment capacity be a government add-on at the Portsmouth, Ohio plant.
 - b. A Federal corporation be created to take over the three existing diffusion plants (at Portsmouth, Oak Ridge, and Paducah) and the new add-on.
 - c. Private industry be brought into subsequent plants, using centrifuge technology.
2. Hearings. Pastore's staff has recommended that:
 - a. Hearings be scheduled to begin ~~November 10,~~ ^{Dec 2} with Elmer Staats criticizing the Administration proposal.

- b. ERDA and FEA witnesses be scheduled for ~~November 19.~~
Dec. 3.
- c. Other witnesses be heard following the Thanksgiving recess.

RECOMMENDATION

Max Friedersdorf, Jim Connor and I recommend that Pastore be asked --

1. To proceed with hearings as soon as possible, and
2. To give major Administration witnesses the opportunity to present the affirmative case for the Administrative proposal on the first day of hearings.