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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 15, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR
SUBJECT: Senator Russell Long

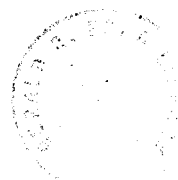
The attached letter was returned in the President's Outbox with the following notation:

"Nice thank you with reciprocal admiration."

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

Attachment:
Letter from Russell B. Long 12/12/75



THE PRESIDENT HAS ~~SEEN~~

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF

M.L.F.

SUBJECT: Senator Russell Long (D-La.)

Senator Long requested the attached letter be delivered for the President's personal attention.

*Nice thank you with
reciprocal administration*



UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

RUSSELL B. LONG
LOUISIANA

December 12, 1975

Dear Mr. President:

I wish to reiterate my admiration of you as a great American who has served his country far beyond the call of duty.

This week I was dismayed that many able reporters, seeking to color their stories, have failed to reflect my complete admiration and respect for you.

In particular, I have been pained by a recent Evans and Novak column which quoted me as saying something unkind about you, which I did not say.

My press secretary inquired and Mr. Novak was apologetic and said his information was heresay. Insofar as anything I have done has contributed to any unkind references to you, please accept my contrite apology.

Your friend,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Russell Long". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C.