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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 10, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: JAMES T. LYNN  
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*  
SUBJECT: Postal Service  
Legislation

The President reviewed your memorandum of May 7, 1976 on the above subject and approved the following:

Option 3 - Support a Study Commission with a provision that expresses Congressional intent to cancel \$1.0 billion after consideration of the Report of the Study Commission.

A fall-back position to Option 2 was also approved.

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

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WASHINGTON

*ok!  
jim*

May 8, 1976

MR PRESIDENT:

Postal Service Legislation

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fallback to #2.

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Jim Connor

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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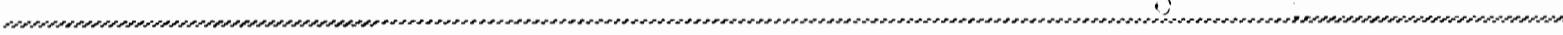
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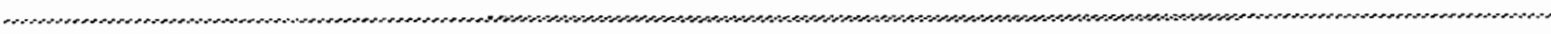
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Disagree

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See Me





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TO: DICK CHENEY  
(INDEPENDENCE)

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Date: May 8, 1976

Time:

FOR ACTION:

cc (for information):

- Jim Cannon
- ✓ Max Friedersdorf
- Jack Marsh
- Bill Seidman ✓

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date:

QUICK TURNAROUND

Time:

SUBJECT:

Jim Lynn memo 5/7/76 re:  
Postal Service Legislation

ACTION REQUESTED:

- For Necessary Action
- For Your Recommendations
- Prepare Agenda and Brief
- Draft Reply
- For Your Comments
- Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

You will note from Jim Lynn's cover memo to Jim Connor the urgency of this matter.

*Seidman - agree with OMB position*  
*Friedersdorf - support option # 2*

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Jim Connor  
 For the President

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 For Necessary Action For Your Recommendations Prepare Agenda and Brief Draft Reply For Your Comments Draft Remarks

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*Support Option #2*

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JWS*

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*on Apr 3, 2*  
*Feedback to Jim*

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