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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN.....

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Muhammad Ali

BACKGROUND: On national television last Monday night, Ali made a special point of praising the President before and after the fight in his interviews.

PURPOSE: Ali has often voiced his respect and support for the President but this is the first time before seventy million people. The purpose of the call would be to congratulate him on his victory over Richard Dunn (British) and to thank him for his kind words.

RECOMMENDED BY: Richard B. Cheney

- TALKING POINTS:
1. Congratulations on your victory last Monday over Richard Dunn. I would like to have seen the fight but I have my own championship bout.
 2. I want to thank you for the kind words you said on my behalf on Monday night.
 3. I look forward to seeing you soon.

ACTION: Talked July 6 1976 6:23 to
May 31, 1976 6:26 PM