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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: L. WILLIAM SEIDMAN  
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*  
SUBJECT: Telegram from Governor Brown  
Concerning Cannery Strike

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

"Let me know results of meeting."

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

7/21/76

MR. PRESIDENT:

We received the following information a short while ago and thought that you might wish to look at it immediately. I have given the action to Bill Seidman, who is familiar with the issue and who will prepare a response for you.

Jim Connor

*Let me know  
results of meeting.*

The White House  
Washington

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11 ATTENTION DR. JAMES CONNOR, STAFF SECRETARY AND SECRETARY TO  
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13 THE CABINET

14 WHITE HOUSE DC 20500  
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16 DEAR PRESIDENT FORD:  
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19 "I APPEAL TO YOU TO USE YOUR GOOD OFFICES TO BRING AN IMMEDIATE  
20 SETTLEMENT TO THE CANNERY STRIKE IN CALIFORNIA.  
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23 "FARMERS ARE THE INNOCENT THIRD PARTY WHILE MANAGEMENT AND LABOR  
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25 POSTURE WITH LITTLE ATTEMPT AT SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS.  
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7 "I INVITED BOTH SIDES TO COME TO MY OFFICE TUESDAY MORNING BUT  
8 BEFORE THEY COULD ARRIVE THE PLACE OF NEGOTIATIONS WAS PRECIPITOUSLY  
9 SHIFTED BY YOUR FEDERAL MEDIATION SERVICE TO THURSDAY IN WASHINTON.  
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11 IN VIEW OF THIS UNUSUAL TURN OF EVENTS, THE FULL RESPONSIBILITY NOW  
12 RESTS SQUARELY ON THE SHOULDERS OF YOUR ADMINISTRATION.  
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16 "I URGE YOU TO PERSONALLY INTERVENE WITHOUT DELAY."

17 GOVERNOR EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
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July 21, 1976  
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Dr. Connor:

I just received a telephone call from Carol Finley in Governor Brown's office in Sacramento, California (916) 445-5106

Governor Brown is sending a telegram to the President and they wanted to read the message to me and alert me to the fact that the telegram was on its way. I told Carol to send it to your attention. The telegram is as follows:

"Dear President Ford:

I appeal to you to use your good offices to bring an immediate settlement to the Cannery strike in California.

Farmers are the innocent third party while management and labor posture with little attempt at serious negotiation.

I invited both sides to come to my office Tuesday morning but before they could arrive the place of negotiations was precipitiously shifted by your Federal Mediation Service to Thursday in Washington. In view of this unusual turn of events, the full responsibility now rests squarely on the shoulders of your Administration.

I urge you to personally intervene without delay.

Jerry Brown"

Dorothy Downton