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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 31, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHIL BUCHEN/ED SCHMULTS

FROM:

JIM CONNOR *je*

SUBJECT:

Recommended Telephone Call to  
Rep. Walter Flowers

Confirming telephone call to your office, the President made the recommended telephone call to Representative Walter Flowers today concerning the private relief bill for the benefit of the survivors of Dr. Frank Olson and made the following notation:

"Talked with Congressman Flowers. Sub-Committee action September 1/ full Committee following week. Foresees no problem."

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney  
Max Friedersdorf

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Phil Buchan & Ed Schwartz

8/31/76

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*Jan*

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Rep. Walter Flowers, Chairman, Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations, House Judiciary Committee.

DATE: A.M., Monday, August 30, 1976  
*M.B.*

RECOMMENDED BY: Max Friedersdorf, Ed Schmults and Ken Lazarus

PURPOSE: To encourage final Congressional action this Session on S. 3035, a private relief bill in the amount of \$1.25 million for the benefit of the survivors of Dr. Frank Olson (the man who died as the result of the CIA experiments with LSD).

BACKGROUND: Last year, you met with the Olson family and thereafter directed that an effort be made to compensate the family for their losses arising out of the death of Dr. Olson. Since current law did not provide an adequate basis for compensation to the family, the Administration supported the introduction of private relief legislation in February of this year. This legislation (S. 3035) passed the Senate in May. Although there would appear to be unanimity within the House Judiciary Committee on the desirability of this relief, your personal involvement would be helpful at this stage to ensure that the measure is not lost in the rush of the closing days of the Session.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

1. Express appreciation for his prompt and discreet consideration of the bill. (The Subcommittee met privately with representatives of the CIA, Justice and Ken Lazarus of Counsel's Office.)
2. Confirm understanding that there is no opposition to the measure in its current form in either Subcommittee or full House Judiciary Committee.
3. Request assurance that Subcommittee will report measure to full Committee prior to Labor Day recess. This will allow sufficient time for final passage prior to adjournment.

Date of submission: August 27, 1976

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