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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: H. JAMES FIELD
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*
SUBJECT: Letter from Sheika Gramshammer
Of July 19, 1976

The attached copy of a letter from Sheika Gramshammer was returned in the President's outbox with the following notation:

"Betty tells me she is already working in Colo.

It might be good if Ellie would call her."

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dick Cheney

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Sheila Gramshammer

July 10, 1976

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN...

The President of the
United States of America
Mr. Gerald Ford

The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President,

Before anything else I would like to thank you whole heartedly for your decision regarding the Eagles Nest Wilderness Bill. You made many people very, very happy! Thank you once again.

At the same time I want to tell you how very sorry I am that Colorado let you down to such an extent. Only because of Eagle County's vote, all delegates voting 10:1, we could at least gain the 4th congressional district.

The Republican Convention in Fort Collins was a fascinating experience. I know now what it means when it is said that "politics get into your blood" - it is certainly in mine!

It was very hard for me to sit still and watch your opponent get so many votes, I wanted so very much to go to everyone and wake them up to the truth - YOU!

Reagan had a good speech - well written and the presentation could be rated as moderate to good acting. But I definitely want to congratulate you on your son Jack. His speech was outstanding! It portrayed warmth, sincerity and unlimited belief and trust in you. I heard from several Reagan people the comment "What a boy - I am jaleous!" Therefore, it is very hard for me to understand why not more uncommitted delegates were more aware of the difference between just a good performance and reality.

I must admit though that the Reagan forces were incredibly organized and well informed. It seemed they had just left a training camp! I was utterly frustrated to see how weak your Colorado office seemed to be.

Friends of mine in Wisconsin, Michigan, Missouri and Texas are very active on Reagan's behalf. I discussed this with them at several occasions and doing so I got more and more hopeful that you may consider changing your campaign route after Kansas City. Again, I have friends who are on Carter's executive committee for Texas and I must say it is incredible to see how well run their "show" is.



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Pepi Gramshammer
Sheika Gramshammer
July 19, 1976

I really want to go out and tell "the world" why we need you! Pepi and I, among so many others, believe in you with all our hearts and minds. You need to win for this country and I want to do everything I can to be of help.

I would like to head a women's committee here in Colorado for your support. It would be a doorbell to doorbell campaign as previously proven effective during the Goldwater campaign. I know I can do so much more for you if my energies are channelled into the proper direction. I would appreciate it very much if I could sit in during one of the meeting of the National Committee for Ford 1976 to learn about strategy and immediate objectives.

So far I have not had any help or seen any initiative from your Denver headquarters, except that they were opposed to my heading the Eagle County Committee.

Mr. President, could you please direct me to the proper channels so that I may be more useful to your campaign.

This county needs you - please let me know how I can offer my small share to make people realize that there is only one true leader: YOU. I would like to apply myself totally to your election and our future.

Sincerely,

Sheika Gramshammer

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pe how is your team's? I'm just be ready for you
in August - with the help of a big inequet! @Sheika