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TALKING POINTS:

SWEARING IN OF JAMES LYNN

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1975
JIM LYNN HAS BEEN IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE SINCE
HE JOINED THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AS GENERAL COUNSEL
IN 1969. BEFORE BECOMING THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN 1973, HE WAS UNDER SECRETARY
OF COMMERCE.
HE HAS SERVED WELL IN A TOUGH JOB, AND HE HAS

THE ABILITY AND EXPERIENCE TO HANDLE HIS NEW JOB WELL.

JIM IS ALSO VERY ARTICULATE AND AN EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATOR.

THESE SKILLS WILL ADD TO HIS EFFECTIVENESS IN HIS NEW POSITION.
THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, CREATED IN 1970, IS SERVING AN IMPORTANT FUNCTION IN OUR EFFORT TO CONTROL FEDERAL EXPENDITURES. IN THE COMING MONTHS, AS THE BUDGET BATTLE WAGS ON CAPITOL HILL, THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WILL BE PART OF OUR FIRST LINE EFFORT TO CONTROL SPENDING.
WITH THE PROLIFERATION OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS, THIS OFFICE HELPS COORDINATE PLANNING AND OVERSEES INTERRELATED EFFORTS. IT IS HOPED THE NEWLY CREATED BUDGET COMMITTEES IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE WILL BE ABLE TO DUPLICATE THE SUCCESSES OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.
ROY ASH HAS SERVED WELL IN THIS POST, AND HIS
GOVERNMENT SERVICE IS APPRECIATED BY THOSE WHO WORKED
WITH HIM IN THE PAST YEARS. I WANT TO ADD MY PERSONAL
THANKS TO ROY FOR WORKING WITH THIS ADMINISTRATION TRANSITION.
I know Jim Lynn is stepping into a big pair

of shoes -- but I also know he happens to have a

mighty big pair of feet.
JIM, I WELCOME YOU TO THIS NEW POSITION ON
OUR TEAM -- AND IN THE FUTURE, AS IN THE PAST, I EXPECT
TO WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH YOU.       I GUESS I DON'T HAVE
TO TELL YOU -- THIS IS ONE TEAM THAT DOESN'T HAVE ANY
LONESOME ENDS!

END OF TEXT
1. Jim Lynn has been in Government service since he joined the Department of Commerce as General Counsel in 1969. Before becoming the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in 1973, he was Under Secretary of Commerce. He has served well in a tough job, and he has the ability and experience to handle his new job well. Jim is also very articulate and an effective communicator. These skills will add to his effectiveness in his new position.

2. The Office of Management and Budget, created in 1970, is serving an important function in our effort to control Federal expenditures. In the coming months, as the budget battle wages on Capitol Hill, the Office of Management and Budget will be part of our first line effort to control spending.
3. The Office has extended the responsibilities of the old Bureau of the Budget and made greater use of management systems and modern techniques and equipment. It is serving the function envisioned by outgoing director Roy Ash, who served as chairman of the council that advised creation of the Office of Management and Budget.

4. With the proliferation of Federal programs, this office helps coordinate planning and oversees interrelated efforts. It is hoped the newly created Budget Committees in the House and Senate will be able to duplicate the successes of the Office of Management and Budget.

5. Roy Ash has served well in this post, and his Government service is appreciated by those who worked with him in the past years. I want to add my personal thanks to Roy for working with this Administration transition.
6. I know Jim Lynn is stepping into a big pair of shoes -- but I also
know he happens to have a mighty big pair of feet.

7. Jim, I welcome you to this new position on our team -- and in the
future, as in the past, I expect to work very closely with you.

I guess I don't have to tell you -- this is one team that doesn't
have any lonesome ends!

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