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September 25, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ANNE ARMSTRONG

FROM:

RON NESSEN

SUBJECT:

Womaa Press Officer

As I mentioned yesterday morning, over since I came aboard here I have had the same idea yes have had of getting a woman into a visible and responsible position in the Press Office. As I am sure yes understand, I am very new here and it is taking me a couple of days to fiel out exactly who works for me and what they do. I also plan to bring aboard an Administrator in the Press Office to help me with staffing and organization. But hiring a woman is one of my top priorities, and I look forward to receiving your suggestions.

RN/cg





The President is leaving on the 13th for Las Vegas, and will be in Palm Springs on the 14th, the way it looks now.

That only leaves the 12th, which day the President is meeting with his economic advisers at 11 a.m. and the Trudeau dinner at 8 p.m.

Tentatively OK for the 12th

I'll handle directly with Ann Armstrong

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Beg off for this series of dates.

Advisory Council Republican Women's Federal Forum

Mrs. Ford, Honorary Chairman

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON October 10, 1974

Dear Ron:

I am elated you will be our speaker at the November meeting of the Republican Women's Federal Forum. We can set the date for Tuesday, November 12; Wednesday, November 13; or Thursday, November 14. The meeting will take place at the Capitol Hill Club at noon and we hope Cindy's schedule will permit her to join us on this occasion also.

The primary function of our organization is to provide a highly visible and newsworthy platform for leading Administration spokesmen at monthly meetings.

Membership in the Forum is composed of women presently or formerly serving in the Federal government, the Judiciary, the Congress, the Republican National Committee and wives of men in these positions.

The format is a speech followed by Q&A from the audience and members of the press in attendance.

Enclosed you will find a roster of our Advisory Council.

Many thanks for making time in your schedule for what I know will prove to be a most worthwhile endeavor. We are especially honored that this will be Ron Nessen's debut on the other side of the speaker's microphone.

Sincerely.

Mrs. Tobin Armstrong Counsellor to the President

Honorable Ron Nessen Press Secretary to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Enclosure

