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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 20, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: HUGH MORROW
FROM: RON NESSEN

I want to invite you to take advantage of our White House Photo Office for pictures of the Vice President which you would want to release. Dave Kennerly and I think the best procedure to follow would be this:

- 1) When there is a Vice Presidential event you want covered by the White House Photo Office, simply notify Dave Kennerly and he will provide the coverage.
- 2) If you want a photo of this event released to the press, you should request a contact sheet from Dave Kennerly's office and he will send it to you.
- 3) If you find a photograph on the contact sheet you want released, notify Dave Kennerly by memo and he will have the picture printed and sent to you as quickly as possible.
- 4) You would then handle the release of the picture yourself. (If you want a copy of our White House photo distribution list, just ask Dave Kennerly)
- 5) Any pictures involving the President, it seems to me, should be handled from this office.

I hope this is a satisfactory arrangement. If there is any further way we can help with release of Vice Presidential pictures, just let me know.

cc: Dave Kennerly

THE WHITE HOUSE

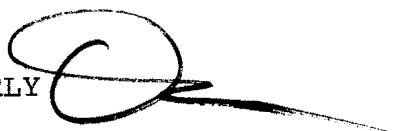
WASHINGTON

January 17, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

RON NESSEN

FROM:

DAVID KENNERLY 

It is my feeling that photo requests for the Vice President's office should be handled in the following manner. When they want an event or meeting covered, we will provide the photo coverage. We will provide their press office with a contact sheet. If they want to release a picture, they will send a memo to our office requesting that a certain picture be released. We will then get a picture printed as quickly as they need it and send it back to them. They will then handle any releases to the press out of their office. However, any picture that the President is in will automatically be handled by the President's press office.

My suggestion is, if you have any revisions or additions to the memo, let me know and if you decide that this is the policy you want to follow, have this memo retyped to the Vice President's press office under your name.

Thanks.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

TO: HUGH MORROW
FROM: RON NESSEN

June 23, 1975

June 2, 1975

Q: Is the Chicago Tribune correct in its story on Russian eavesdropping?

A: We are not prepared to say more than was said by the Rockefeller Commission on the capability of foreign governments to intercept domestic communications.

Q: Did the Rockefeller Commission want to say more, and was it censored?

A: A draft of the Rockefeller Commission Report was reviewed for classified material. The Rockefeller Commission wanted its report to be in a form that would permit its findings to be made public. The Commission therefore rephrased a few passages in the draft of its report to insure it could be released.

Q: You mean the classified material was deleted from the draft?

A: The draft did contain a few classified items. They were rephrased so the report could be released to the public. There were no deletions of substantial findings.

Q: Who reviewed the draft for classified materials?

A: Experts on classification.

Q: You mean the CIA reviewed the report on its own contact?

A: No. The CIA was not involved in the classification review.

Q: Did President Ford make any changes on deletions in the report sent to him before it was made public?

A: No.

Q: Did the President take part in the classification review?

A: No.

Q: Why wasn't Congress told about this capability of foreign governments to intercept domestic communications?

A: Congressional leaders have been made aware of this capability.



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

May 11, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR RON NESSEN

FROM: HUGH MORROW

SUBJECT: Vice President's Political Activities Supporting
the President

Per your request, here is a summary of the Vice President's political activities in support of the President:

1. The Vice President has raised approximately \$3.5 million for the Republican Party and the President Ford Committee since the beginning of last year, through dinners, receptions and other fund-raising events at which the Vice President was the principal speaker.

2. The Vice President obtained for the President the unanimous endorsement of the New York Republican State Committee in June of 1975 for the President's election in 1976. Then the President's "drop dead" speech on New York City caused such a reaction that it was necessary to shift from a Ford delegation to an uncommitted delegation to prevent defections and to keep the delegation together. As a result, the New York delegates, appointed and elected, are now committed to be uncommitted until the convention.

3. The Vice President has responded affirmatively to every request made of him by the President Ford Committee. This includes fund-raising appearances and the Vice President's taping of a radio spot supporting the President for use in the Oregon primary. The Vice President also has accepted virtually all fund-raising invitations in behalf of the Republican National Committee and various State and local committees, to the limits of feasibility.

4. The Vice President has spoken out strongly for the President in 17 States and on the national media, in every one of his speeches, press conferences, television and radio appearances. His support of the President is unqualified, and based on confident expectations, constantly reiterated, that the President will be nominated and elected. Moreover, he has consistently refused to engage in negative speculation as to "what would happen if the President should falter," neither on nor off the record.

Following is a list of the Vice President's political appearances since January 29, 1975:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Location</u>
1/29/75	New Jersey Republican State Committee	Milburn, New Jersey
2/13/75	Salute to the VP Dinner N.Y. Republican State Committee	New York, New York
6/12/75	New York State Committee Annual Dinner	New York, New York
8/27/75	State Committee Reception, Columbia, S.C.	Columbia, So. Carolina
9/12/75	GOP Reception, Arkansas	Little Rock, Arkansas
9/13/75	Brunch, Okla. State Party	Norman, Oklahoma
9/13/75	Reception/Dinner, Okla. State Party	Enid, Oklahoma
11/15/75	GOP Reception/Dinner, Minn. State Party	St. Paul, Minn.
12/4/75	GOP Reception/Dinner Penn. State Party	Pittsburgh, Penn.
12/11/75	GOP Luncheon/Reception Tenn. State Party	Nashville, Tenn.
12/12/75	GOP Reception Texas State Party	Houston, Texas

<u>Date</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Location</u>
1/15/76	Western States Republican Chairman Breakfast at VP's Home	Washington, D.C.
1/28/76	President Ford Committee Reception at Vice President's Apartment	New York, New York
1/29/76	Westchester County Republican Committee Dinner	White Plains, New York
1/30/76	Midwest Republican Conference, Dearborn	Dearborn, Michigan
1/30/76	President Ford Committee Reception, Bloomfield Hills	Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
2/6/76	Northeast Republican Leadership Conference (Introducing President)	Washington, D.C.
2/12/76	Luncheon/Dinner Kentucky State Party	Lexington and Louisville, Kentucky
2/13/76	New York Governor's Club	Tarrytown, New York
2/14/76	New York County Republican Committee Dinner	New York, New York
2/20/76	Dinner, Michigan State Party	Lansing, Michigan
2/27/76	Reception, Republican National Committee (Admiral's House)	Washington, D. C.
3/12/76	New Mexico Party Dinner	Albuquerque, New Mexico
3/16/76	President Ford Committee Reception	Chicago, Illinois
4/12/76	President Ford Committee Reception	Philadelphia, Pa.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Location</u>
4/14/76	Iowa Republican State Committee Dinner	Des Moines, Iowa
4/15/76	Georgia Republican State Committee Reception	Atlanta, Georgia
4/28/76	Midwest Republican State Chairmen Breakfast at V.P.'s Home	Washington, D.C.
5/6/76	Queens County Republican Committee Dinner	New York, New York
5/7/76	President Ford Committee Reception	Westport, Connecticut

Political Events Planned -- Immediate Future:

5/20/76	President Ford Committee Reception, Cincinnati, Ohio	
6/4/76	Maryland State Committee Dinner	
6/8/76	President Ford Committee Reception at Vice President's Home (D.C.)	
6/17/76	N.Y. State Republican Committee Dinner	New York, New York
6/18/76	North Carolina State Convention Dinner	
6/24/76	Nassau County (New York) Republican Committee Dinner	

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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

June 16, 1976

Ron Hansen from H.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR: HUGH MORROW

FROM: DICK ALLISON *Onit*

SUBJECT: STATUS - The Monthly Chartbook

Here is the STATUS status:

1. The inaugural issue will be ready the week of June 28.
2. Initial distribution will be in accordance with the memo at TAB A, with a more detailed breakdown of the official distribution at TAB B.
 - ° Congressional distribution will be by Vice Presidential letter of transmittal; OMB is preparing a draft for your review and amendment.
3. Regarding public circulation, the memo at TAB A indicates the Vice President's desire to pursue the Smithsonian possibility. A meeting between the Vice President and Dillon Ripley will be arranged after the inaugural issue has appeared.
4. On July 1, the Vice President will visit the Census Bureau to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the UNIVAC 1 computer system and to receive the first issue of STATUS (TAB C). There may be some press interest in this event, which is sponsored by the Census Bureau. The Census Bureau is responsible for the press arrangements both for this event and for the appearance of the first issue of STATUS.
5. Following our discussion last week, I understand that you are discussing with the White House any press exploitation they care to make of the appearance of STATUS.

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

June 8, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: DICK ALLISON *Dick*

SUBJECT: STATUS (Monthly Chartbook) - Initial
Distribution Plans, and Further
Possibilities

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next week
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1. Current distribution plans for STATUS.

- a. The period from June 30 to September 30 will be a promotion and evaluation phase in which successive issues of STATUS will be
 - (1) broadly distributed without charge within the Executive Branch, to the Congress, and to a public test audience; and,
 - (2) available for sale to the general public on a single-copy basis through the Bureau of the Census, with announcement in the Federal Register.
- b. The purpose of this promotion and evaluation phase is to
 - (1) encourage general awareness of the availability of the new publication both through direct distribution and by the discussion stimulated by those receiving the book; and to
 - (2) elicit comments on how the book can be made more useful to readers.

- c. Beginning with the October edition, STATUS will be offered for sale to the public on a subscription and a single-copy basis through the Government Printing Office. Official (free) distribution within the Executive Branch and to the Congress will continue.

2. Other ideas for increasing distribution.

- a. The budget request now before the Congress basically covers the cost of preparing all the charts and text and of printing copies for official distribution.
- b. Under routine Government Printing Office procedures, the price of copies of a government publication printed for public sale must be sufficient to cover the cost of such reproduction. Under this rule, the price of an annual subscription to STATUS is likely to be at least \$60.00. Such a price will inhibit broad public circulation.
- c. To obtain the greatest possible public access to STATUS, it would be desirable for a private organization to handle the public sale.
 - (1) This occurs for a number of government publications, notably for the Statistical Abstract;
 - (2) A private organization may purchase printer's negatives from the Government Printing Office, and then reprint and sell or distribute the publication as it sees fit;
 - (3) (Government publications are not themselves copyrighted, although if they include copyrighted material from private sources, permission must be sought for republication.)

- d. Sale of negatives would be an excellent way for Smithsonian Associates to be of material assistance to achieving the goal of achieving wide distribution of STATUS. Smithsonian Associates could purchase the negative to each issue of STATUS, reprint it, and make it available as an extra-charge supplement to the regular subscribers to Smithsonian magazine. This practice would offer several advantages:
- (1) The cost of reproduction and distribution could be partially defrayed by advertising revenue;
 - (2) The subscription list for Smithsonian magazine would offer excellent broad exposure for STATUS; and
 - (3) The graphics and editorial skills of the Smithsonian Associates could have a positive and invigorating impact on STATUS.
- e. Dr. Joe Duncan and his associates at OMB's Statistical Policy Division fully support this distribution idea.
3. Do you wish to
- a. Pursue the STATUS distribution idea with Dillon Ripley?

Set up meeting with Dillon Ripley?

- b. Explore other commercial possibilities by discussion with Bill Ronan?
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- c. For now, leave distribution in the hands of OMB and the Government Printing Office?
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Distribution of the Monthly Chartbook

Prototype and Dry-run Issues

Several hundred copies are to be reproduced; distribution is to be limited to the Executive Branch.

Official distribution

- . Offices of the President and the Vice President
- . Editorial Committee of the Monthly Chartbook
- . Technical Committee of the Monthly Chartbook
- . OMB Advisory Committee on Social Indicators
- . within OMB
 - Associate Director for Management and Operations
 - Associate Director for Economics and Government
 - Deputy Associate Director for Statistical Policy
 - Chief, Commerce Branch Economics and Government Division
- . within Commerce
 - Secretary
 - Assistant Secretary for Policy
 - Assistant Secretary for Administration
 - Chief Economist

→ June-September Issues (Total run 7000)

The period from June 30 through September 30 will be a promotion and evaluation phase in which successive issues of the Monthly Chartbook will be broadly distributed without charge within the Executive Branch, to the Congress, and to a public test audience. Copies will be offered for public sale on a per copy basis. About 7,000 copies will be re-produced.

Official distribution

- . Members of Congress
- . Director, Congressional Budget Office
- . Offices of the President and the Vice President
- . Heads of Federal executive departments and establishments
- . within OMB
 - Director, Deputy Director
 - Associate Directors
 - Assistant Directors
 - Assistants to the Director; General Counsel
 - Deputy Associate Directors
 - Chief, Commerce Branch Economics and Government Division
- . OMB Advisory Committee on Social Indicators

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Official distribution (Continued)

- . Interagency Committee on Statistical Programs and Policy
- . Editorial Committee of the Monthly Chartbook
- . Technical Committee of the Monthly Chartbook
- . Advisory and Planning Committee on Social Indicators (Social Science Research Council)
- . American Statistical Association Board of Directors
- . American Statistical Association Advisory Committee to OMB
- . Committee on National Statistics (National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council)
- . Committee on Government Statistics

*Census Bureau list (5500 - 6000), including governors of states, Congressional staffs, etc.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census
Washington, D.C. 20233

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

JUN 10 1976

Honorable Nelson A. Rockefeller
The Vice President
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Mr. Vice President:

It is with great pleasure that I extend to you an invitation to visit the Bureau of the Census on the afternoon of July 1, 1976 to join us in the celebration of two milestones--the twenty-fifth anniversary of the acceptance of the UNIVAC I computer system and the release of STATUS, Chartbook of Social and Economic Trends.

We are planning to begin our ceremonies at 2:00 p.m. with a tour of the Bureau's EDP facilities, and we plan to begin our awards program at 3:00 p.m. The schedule of the agenda would, of course, be changed if it were inconvenient to you. The theme of the UNIVAC I celebration is "Pioneering the Information Revolution." UNIVAC I, as you probably know, was the world's first commercial electronic computer.

We would also like to present to you a copy of the first release of the Chartbook of Social and Economic Trends. Your personal interest in this project has been greatly appreciated, and we are quite proud of the resulting publication.

Sincerely,

VINCENT P. BARABBA
Director
Bureau of the Census

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ROBERT T. HARTMANN

FROM:

ART QUERN *Art Quern*

SUBJECT:

Draft of Presidential Letter for the
Monthly Chartbook

Attached is a draft letter for the President's signature, which will be included in the first edition of STATUS, a monthly edition for public sale of the Weekly Briefing Notes which are currently circulated to you and other senior staff. The President approved the monthly chartbook last year, and funding for FY77 is included in the Commerce Department's appropriation.

The Chartbook's first edition is scheduled for publication on June 30, 1976, with a "dry-run" set for about ten days hence. Production is being supervised by OMB's Statistical Policy Division, which prepared the attached draft. I would appreciate receiving your comments on the draft as soon as convenient.

Attachment

cc: Dan McGurk
Dick Allison

bcc: clk

OK *edited* *RTH*

We are today beginning the monthly circulation in one easy-reference publication of the basic facts, figures and trends relating to American Life.

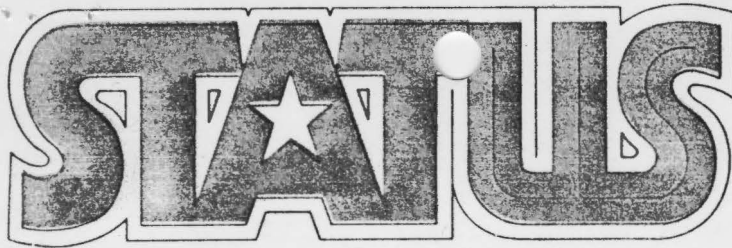
This publication, STATUS, A Monthly Chartbook of Social and Economic Developments, began a year ago, when, at the suggestion of Vice President Rockefeller as Vice-Chairman of the Domestic Council, the Office of Management and Budget, the Bureau of the Census, and other major Federal statistical agencies began to prepare a selection of computer-drawn charts as a briefing reference for the President and the Vice President. I was so impressed by what was being produced that I decided, if these facts were available to the American people and distributed throughout the Federal Government on a monthly basis, both the public and the whole government would mutually benefit.

STATUS will encourage this broader use of statistics by systematically bringing together critical domestic information from all Federal agencies and expressing it in clear and easily understandable chart form.

STATUS will also enable private citizens to know how the Federal Government invests the money from their taxes. With this information, the reader can cut through the rhetoric

to discover how much welfare really costs; or how many Americans receive food stamps; or whether discrimination occurs in employment and education; or how many people actually work for the local, state and Federal governments.

From the outset, the aim of this Administration has been openness and candor. This decision to share with all Americans the critical data previously only available to the highest officials of government is another example of open government in action. STATUS is a document of tremendous ~~position~~ potential. I have great faith that the American people will make the most of it.



CHARTBOOK OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC TRENDS

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January 14, 1977

Dear Ron:

Thanks so much for your nice note. It was a pleasure to work with you and if I was any help at all -- which I doubt -- I'm very pleased.

As you may know Mrs. Morrow has been quite ill so I've missed seeing you in recent weeks. Keep in touch!

Warm best wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hgh", written in a cursive style.

Hugh Morrow
Assistant to
Nelson A. Rockefeller

Mr. Ron Nessen
Press Secretary to
the President
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