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THE PRESIDENT MAD SEEN.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 26, 1974

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

DONALD RUMSFELD

SUBJECT:

Invitation to Close Expo '74

Governor Evans of Washington has sent a telegram asking you to participate in the formal closing ceremonies for Expo '74 in Spokane on Sunday, November 3, 1974.

I have regretted the invitation because of time and scheduling problems. You will be traveling Thursday, Friday and Saturday (October 31 through November 2), through California, Oregon, Utah, Colorado and Kansas. Attending the affair in Spokane would require you to fly halfway across the country, from Witchita to Spokane, and spend another day and night away from Washington.

I did want you to be aware of the request in case someone asked you about it.

You may want to designate some representative to attend on your behalf.