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February 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM - EYES ONLY

To: President Nixon
From: George Bush
Via: General Haig
Re: Assistant Secretary of Defense - ISA

Jerry Jones' office told me that Mr. Nitze is to be named Assistant Secretary of Defense for ISA.

This causes political problems for the President beyond the "There they go giving another big job to a Democrat."

Nitze, a Kennedy Democrat, has a problem with the conservatives in Congress and across the country. Today, we are having "conservative" problems. (See Kevin Phillips' APR Report attached).

The Nitze appointment will exacerbate this conservative defection problem. Les Arends, for example, is strongly opposed. So, he says, is Hebert. So are many GOP conservative Members of Congress. I would hope a qualified Republican could fill this important position.

The RNC is generally not consulted in advance on appointments to State, Justice, or Defense, but given the sensitivity of this political year I would hope we would be consulted - even just to look at the overall politics of the appointment.

George Bush

Enclosure
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THE GOP: GOING THE WAY OF THE WHIGS?

Both activist-intellectual wings of the Republican Party -- liberal Ripon Society elements and the Conservative movement crowd -- are beginning to talk about the GOP going the way of the Whigs. This is the first time we've heard such talk from both wings of the party simultaneously....which means it's a possibility to take seriously. APR's guess: These sentiments will remain muted through the 1974 campaign and then begin surfacing with a roar if the party suffers substantial offyear losses.

1. Conservatives: Bill Buckley and Bill Rusher are front and center in Conservative Movement discussion of how the "Silent Majority" needs a new political vehicle to get to its ideological destination. Party strategist F. Clifton White has discussed the possibility in conversations with Buckley and Rusher. Ronald Reagan made reference to a new party in an early winter New Times interview. American Conservative Union Chairman Stan Evans and the editor of this report discussed the possibility at the recent Conservative 1974 Strategy Conference. GOP National Committee Counsel Harry Dent, who theorized about a new Conservative Party back in 1972, now avoids public comment for obvious reasons. The New York Conservative Party people are increasingly favorable to a new national party.

2. Liberals: The liberal GOP Ripon Society, now more or less for impeachment of the President, is also playing with the Whig analogy -- and has for some time. In a new book, "The Jaws of Victory," scheduled for spring publication, the Ripons seem to be saying that they expect the "New Right" (i.e., corporate-state, defense-industry Connallyism) to dominate conservatism in the years ahead. They appear to see less of a future for themselves in the GOP than ever.

3. Historical Pressures and Forces: If APR had to isolate one overriding concern of conservative strategists, it would be this: that great opportunities come and go in history, and that Richard Nixon has flubbed the GOP opportunity. Denied effective political expression through Nixon Republicanism, conservatives are talking about the possibility and timing of a new party. Which brings us to the Whig analogy.

4. The Whig Break-up: Although APR will re-examine these dynamics in depth if the situation warrants such analysis, for the moment it will suffice to make a few points. First, the Whigs broke up because their obsolescent minority coalition made it impossible for them to respond to the obvious weakness of the Jacksonian Democratic coalition. From 1848 to 1854, contest after contest showed the vulnerability of the Democratic coalition, but the Whigs did not have the issue-appeal to create a new majority grouping. This leads to the second point -- issues. The Whigs tried to avoid them; in general, so does the Nixon Administration. So do the Democrats.

5. An Obsolete Party System: Bear in mind that "going the way of the Whigs" is not a one-party phenomenon. What happened in the mid-1850's was the collapse of an entire party system. Both parties were committed to side-stepping the issues. Both parties were trying to maintain exhausted coalitions. Once the Whigs collapsed, the new (Republican) Party was able to focus issues in a way that crumbled the old Democratic coalition...a big group of Democrats switched to the new party (people who would have found going over to the Whigs intolerable). It could happen again....

6. Party Institutionalization: "New Party" strategists recognize that the existing two-party system has been institutionalizing for 100 years...obviously a good reason for reticence. But if the GOP remains under a cloud, speculation will continue.

February 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM - EYES ONLY

To: President Nixon

From: George Bush

Via: General Haig

cc: Jerry Jones

Re: Replacement for Secretary of the Navy

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My views are three-fold:

- 1.) He is loyal to the President;
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1453 Kirby Rd McLean, Va

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December 19, 1973

CONFIDENTIAL

To: The President

From: George Bush

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Republican
National
Committee.

December 18, 1973

George Bush, Chairman

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To: The President

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Republican National Committee.

CONFIDENTIAL

George Bush, Chairman

TO: The President

RE: Meeting with Foreign Minister
El Zayyat

THROUGH: General Haig

FROM: George Bush

DATE: October 10, 1973

Background

On Wednesday, October 3 Foreign Minister El Zayyat of Egypt reached me by phone in Oregon. He invited me to come by for a quiet supper in New York on October 9. I mentioned this meeting to you during our October 8 meeting in the Oval Office.

Zayyat and I became real friends when he was Egypt's UN Ambassador. We kept up our friendship through some private meetings after he became foreign minister. I made confidential arrangements for him to enter Memorial Hospital in New York. We also had a couple of quiet lunches at the Links Club in New York City with Bill Rogers during 1972.

Meeting

Last night I spent an hour and a half with a tired El Zayyat in his hotel room -- just as he returned from the Security Council.

He is basically a fatalist. His 24 year-old daughter (whom I met last night) is engaged to an army captain. "If he dies she will be sad, but proud he died for a cause." Zayyat reminded me that he once told me in 1971 -- "There will be no peace now. Israel is too strong and arrogant for peace. We are too weak now for a peace."

"This has now changed," he said.

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I asked him -- "If you were President Nixon, knowing the domestic pressures etc., what would you do?"

Zayyat's paraphrased reply was:

I would call for an immediate ceasefire to be followed instantly by negotiations aiming at withdrawal to the 1967 lines. I would state that anyone who violates these lines, safeguarded by international guarantees, will face the full force and might of the USA.

Zayyat made clear that Sadat or any other leader could not survive ceasefire and withdrawal to the post 1967 lines. "How could our dead be explained?"

He expressed grave concern on: a) population bombing b) the rumor that more U.S. Phantoms had gone to Israel.

Zayyat mentioned that you are still very much respected in the Arab world. "President Nixon is still popular."

He mentioned the Russian withdrawal - sighing - this had gained Egypt nothing in terms of U.S. public opinion.

He mentioned U.S. - Egypt friendship, citing a recent major pipeline contract that went to Steve Bechtel in the face of bids from many other countries.

He touched on Saudi Arabia's new role but did so without threat.

I asked him frankly about Dr. Kissinger, telling him in my opinion he would be fair. Zayyat was non-committal but agreed they were better off dealing with a man with clout. The "?" of Dr. Kissinger's being Jewish is in their mind - no doubt. I pointed out the big difference in my view between Kissinger and Arthur Goldberg. (The Goldberg ambassadorship still galls them).

Zayyat was critical of our recent UN suggestion of withdrawing to the post '67 lines (laughable).

He touched briefly on some internationalization of Palestine though his attention is clearly on Egyptian territories and also on the Golan Heights.

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We talked about Watergate. He asked about the widely held Arab view that Watergate was blown up by the Zionist controlled U.S. media to weaken the President's chance to bring a fair peace in the Mid-East.

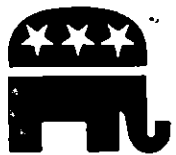
Personal Conclusions

Because of the following factors:

- a) increased Arab pressure on Saudi Arabia
- b) increased Arab pressure on Jordan
- c) the impossibility of Sadat's survival if we stick with our insistence on ceasefire and withdrawal to post-1967 war lines
- d) the fact Israel at this moment may be less sure of herself and the Arabs less unsure

I favor a U.S. call for a ceasefire in place - joined in by other countries whom Israel would consider friendly. The ceasefire to be followed by immediate intensive negotiations whose announced purpose would be to implement Security Council Resolution 242.

N.B.: I told him our conversation would not be reported to anyone other than the President. He in turn stated he will not report to his government on this "personal, unofficial visit between friends".



From the desk of
GEORGE BUSH

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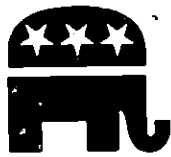
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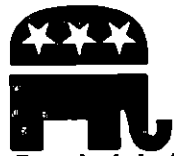
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From the desk of
GEORGE BUSH

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Republican National Committee.

George Bush, Chairman

TO: The President

RE: Virginia and New Jersey
Governors' Races

FROM: George Bush *GB*

DATE: October 1, 1973

The Republican National Committee is giving personnel, speaker assistance, computerized data and high level campaign advice to both these big races.

Our field people are concerned about these races though both appear winnable.

I thought you might like a brief summary on each race.

Also I have attached a somewhat more detailed picture of both races by our able political director Ed Mahe.

Attachments: Bush Summary of Virginia
Bush Summary of New Jersey
Mahe Report

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Republican National Committee.

George Bush, Chairman

VIRGINIA GUBERNATORIAL RACE

Mills Godwin(R) is faced with problems:

1. - Republican apathy and in some cases hostility.

No Republican can vote for "way out" Henry Howell, but this resentment could hurt Godwin in voter turnout etc.

Incidentally Governor Holton is totally cooperative with Godwin and feels he will win.

2. Lack of a real visible campaign -- though with good media this will change.

3. Lack of overall coordination -- an old-time, old-line Democrat chairman is not in close touch with modern techniques. Senator Harry Byrd is helping on this. Godwin has confidence in Byrd and his man Mims -- both of whom are now advising Godwin more.

4. Lack of voter identification and turnout programs. We have recommended mechanical steps to correct this.

5. A miserable PR campaign so far. Godwin is playing defense. His attack of Howell as a socialist hasn't jelled.

Conclusion - Godwin is not doing as well as all thought. He has a new poll in the field (due October 10). The votes are clearly there for him to win. He will have to make some campaign changes. Senator Byrd, with whom I am in close touch, is very concerned and very helpful.

I still feel we can win it.

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Republican National Committee.

George Bush, Chairman

NEW JERSEY GUBERNATORIAL RACE

I was in New Jersey on September 25. It's a tough one.

MAJOR PROBLEMS

1. Scars from primary. Cliff Case will not endorse Sandman. I talked to Cliff. Sandman was going by too. The Case people say "no way" as to an endorsement. Case was less definitive.

Governor Cahill has endorsed Sandman, but Cahill loyalists are sitting it out. Cahill tells me "it's not going well". I am trying to see if some help to Cahill from D.C. will goad him into action.

2. Campaign confusion. Cliff White is a consultant. Spoltore, the New Jersey GOP Chairman, is theoretically in charge, but there are a lot of cooks stirring the broth.

3. Money problems. The New Jersey Finance Committee has done a lousy job to date. The campaign needs money.

STRONG POINTS

Sandman is properly positioned on the issues ("no tax hike", "no bussing", etc.). Byrne is trying to move away from his left primary stance.

Byrne is not the attractive campaigner we feared and his campaign has not been effective.

CONCLUSION

Quayle shows Sandman behind 42-27. A new poll, this one commissioned by Sandman, is in the field.

It's "iffy" right now. Too close to call. RNC has people there and we are working closely with the campaign.

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Republican
National
Committee.

TO: George Bush
FROM: Eddie Mahe, Jr.
SUBJECT: Virginia and New Jersey Gubernatorial Races

VIRGINIA

A scientific survey taken in early July showed Mills Godwin ahead at that time but many people doubt that will still be true when we get the initial results of the survey now in the field. These results are not expected until October 10th. There are many reasons why there has been erosion but the dominant one, and the one responsible for most of the other problems, is the attitude of the candidate. This is true in many ways. His unwillingness to absolutely identify as a Republican is causing some real problems and will undoubtedly cause some erosion in base vote. It's not felt so much that Republicans will vote for Howell as it is that they just won't vote.

His insistence on controlling most of the campaign functions either directly or with people who have little or no professional expertise at the job they are attempting to fill has resulted in a most amateurish operation - resulting in poor research, poor scheduling, and constantly poor exposure in the press. The result has been the portrayal of a man very much on the defensive and somewhat out of touch with today's times. An additional problem in the campaign area is an arbitrary limit of \$625,000 that has been set on campaign expenditures which rules out several very necessary programs.

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Most of the above is contradicted by our opponent's campaign which appears to be a highly professional, well-organized, well-funded effort that undoubtedly has the momentum at this point. All this is being brought about in no small amount by the maximum support and involvement of organized labor at all levels of the campaign...

In spite of all the above, hopefully, the race can still be won. First, 60% of all Virginians see themselves as more conservative than Howell, so, if this fact can be capitalized on, and if Republicans can be pulled to the polls, then victory may still be possible.

Even though the budget is somewhat less than desirable, a solid hard-hitting media package has been prepared under the direction of George Young and Associates of Los Angeles. This includes over 600,000 pieces of rifle shot direct mail. We can be sure of the quality and directness of the media campaign.

A surrogate operation is getting underway using the state's Republican congressman and others in an attempt to back Howell down somewhat and maybe, if we are really lucky and Godwin doesn't give him any more ammunition, we might even get him on the defensive.

Finally, working with the Republican Party of Virginia, the RNC is attempting to get a field operation underway which will, at the least, utilize the pre-existing available resources together with what volunteers can be recruited and put together some kind of election day pulling effort and, at the very best, if the Godwin campaign will provide some funding, will put together a highly professional saturation effort to absolutely maximize both Republican vote and friendly Democratic vote in all the 18 target areas around the state.

NEW JERSEY

The initial survey done in this State also showed our candidate in the lead but most knowledgeable observers attributed that lead mostly to the superior name identification of Sandman. Many people think that as Bryne's name ID has increased he has slipped into the lead but a Pucchi poll leaked to the press last week supposedly showed Sandman still maintaining a six point lead. Although a Quale poll is quoted as showing Sandman down 42 to 27 it would seem we still have a chance to win. In any event, the campaign hopefully has gone through its worst period.

The first problem, and of course the opportunity to run, was caused by the defeat of Governor Cahill in the primary. The state chairman and 19 of 21 county chairman supported the Governor in the primary and many of these people have since departed the organization. This turnover was complicated by the fact that the Sandman people spent at least the first 30 days after the primary celebrating their victory rather than gearing up for the general. The complete changeover of party personnel at the state level coupled with the fact that the people introduced into the campaign at the operational level are all very inexperienced has resulted in organizational chaos. Planning has been either poor or non existent. Almost any decision that was made was countermanded by someone else who seemingly had equal status. The amateur problem was compounded by the retention of a press secretary who, while he had good technical skills, understood nothing about what was involved in the press operations of a major campaign. Finally, the campaign is suffering from a real financial crunch with insufficient bucks being raised and, if this situation is not quickly alleviated, then all might be lost no matter what else is done. There is a

feeling of confidence that the overall strategy of the campaign is sound and that the media will totally support that strategy as both are under the control of Cliff White and Associates of New York.

Our situation in New Jersey is greatly aided by the fact that the campaign of our opponent has seemed to have at least as many if not more problems than has ours. The over-whelming presence of organized labor suggests that ultimately they might get it straightened out though.

Since the campaign is extremely cooperative in every way with the RNC, we are undertaking a major involvement in the campaign in an attempt to shore up those areas of greatest weakness, except finances, and hopefully, will pull the organization into shape for a massive election day effort.

The need to win both races remains paramount, and at this point, both would seem to be winnable.

August 3, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

GEORGE BUSH

SUBJECT:

CABINET AT REPUBLICAN NATIONAL
COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Republican National Committee will have an important one-day meeting at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, Monday, September 10. I think it is extremely important that members of the President's Cabinet participate in this meeting. The Party leaders who will be assembled here should be able to go back to their constituencies fortified with positive information about what your Administration is doing in every area. A brief summary by each Department head followed by a period for Q and A would be very productive.

If it is possible, I would like a couple of minutes at the next Cabinet meeting to formally request their participation, and hopefully you could endorse my request to the members of the Cabinet at that time.

GB:TL:kp

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 7, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH
CHAIRMAN, RNC

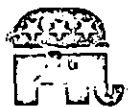
SUBJECT: Report on the Financial Situation at the
Republican National Committee

Your memorandum to the President on the above subject has
been reviewed and it was noted that this was a good report.

Bruce A. Kehrli

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Staff Secretary

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Republican National Committee.

NO ACTION REQUIRED

George Bush, Chairman

TO: The President

RE: Report on the Financial
Situation at the Republican
National Committee

THROUGH: Gen. Al Haig

CC: The Vice President
Hon. Bryce Harlow
Hon. Anne Armstrong

DATE: July 23, 1973

FROM: George Bush

There have been a few stories around about our financial plight.

The President should know that, given the cuts we have had to make, I believe we will get through troublesome 1973 without incurring debt.

When I first came here I had to cut \$1 million from our budget requests.

Last week our financial people reported to me that we were facing a \$1 million deficit in spite of the cuts previously made. We then moved on a new drastic cost cutting policy.

Since coming here in January we have reduced personnel from 182 to 103. This means \$58,423 per month saving.

We have completed an audit by Ernst and Ernst for the period ending December 31, 1972. It contains the following language:

"The accounting system of the Republican National Headquarters could not be relied on to produce meaningful accounting and financial data for the year ended December 31, 1972. During that period, general ledgers were not properly maintained, cash transactions were not reconciled, and the systems of internal controls was abandoned."

This had now been totally reversed.

We have instituted tight internal controls.

We have eliminated many of the frills.

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Strauss tells me the Democrats employ 45 people - we still have many more people. Our budget, even at reduced level, is almost twice this.

I am totally convinced that we can be just as effective with our vastly reduced personnel level. The place had grown somewhat fat - individual fiefdoms had sprung up - no central controls were asserted.

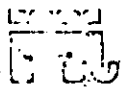
We are winning elections from coast to coast and the state parties are getting stronger. They are ahead of past performance on money -- raising it by saying "Not one dime of this will go to Washington."

Good candidates are coming forward.

The Committee itself is still less effective than it should be.

The high profile of CRP continues to plague us in terms of big donor indignation but I am working with Frank Dale (most cooperative) to get the CRP and the Re-elect Finance Committee put into a trusteeship. I cannot over-emphasize what a burden its continuance is to us with our big givers and our party people. I will keep pressing to get it in a caretaker status. General Haig assures me I should keep pressing on this.

CRP Funds: I have made clear privately to the CRP people and publicly too that the RNC should receive the surplus after disposition of the lawsuits. We picked up all past deficits and we must have the funds to help elect a New Majority in Congress.



Republican National Committee.

July 16, 1973

George Bush, Chairman

MEMORANDUM

TO: Key Staff and Department Heads

FROM: The Chairman

Our present, as well as our projected, financial situation dictates that most serious and drastic money saving actions be taken if we are to live within our means in 1973. We must not operate at a deficit. Mr. Wilson has informed me that we will fall short by one million dollars of the minimum cash required to run the National Committee through 1973 as it now exists. As a consequence, I have taken the following economy measures --

- (1) eliminated the RNC cars of the Chairman, Co-Chairman and Finance Chairman;
- (2) eliminated the publication of one edition of MONDAY;
- (3) taken a 10% salary cut -- some key staff and Department heads have also voluntarily taken a salary reduction;
- (4) ordered the removal of two xerox machines from the building and am requesting that all non-essential xeroxing be eliminated;
- (5) ordered the removal of certain other leased equipment;
- (6) cancelled, effective next month, the cleaning contract for the building. Cleaning will be done in-house and I encourage all of you to see that your areas are kept as clean as possible.

In addition, I am immediately implementing the following --

- (1) travel will be cut to the absolute minimum by all RNC staff members; employees are to travel tourist class; hotel accommodations to be reasonable (no suites). All other expenses should be drastically reduced, carefully detailed and reviewed before sending for payment.
- (2) No direct dial calls are to be made from the RNC. WATS lines will not be used for personal calls during the hours of 9 A. M. to 7 P. M., Monday through Friday. Priority will be given to the Chairman, Co-Chairman and Political.
- (3) Credit cards will be kept at an absolute minimum. Staff members in the field should use the mails unless mitigating circumstances dictate otherwise.

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- (4) All printing should be conceived so as to utilize our own facilities. There will be no outside printing with the exception of First Monday.
- (5) There will be no significant mailings of any kind undertaken without prior approval of the Director of Communications.
- (6) I have asked Rose Zamaria to review administrative costs and wherever possible reduce or eliminate them. This includes conserving electricity, curtailing the hours the Eisenhower Center is open, etc.

In addition to the above steps, we must take an even more fundamental and drastic step. We must reduce our current staff strength by approximately 25%. Therefore, I request the total cooperation of all Department heads. We have not determined just how we will implement the reduction and just who will be affected. I welcome any and all suggestions.

This is a matter I feel deeply about and am determined that every effort will be made to relocate anyone receiving a RIF*notice. I have directed Dick Thaxton to help those affected find jobs. Employees will receive two weeks' notice, plus an additional two weeks' severance pay.

*Reduction in force-

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Over \$70000 amount

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December 18, 1973

CONFIDENTIAL Memorandum

To: Charles W. B. Wardell, III (for the President's File)

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From: George Bush

Subject: President's drop-by to Bush dinner for the Cabinet,
Monday, December 3, 1973 at 7:20 P.M.

The President, wearing a sport coat, appearing relaxed dropped by the Alibi Club at 1806 "I" St., N.W. in Washington.

Chairman Bush and Secretary Dent were hosting a dinner for the Cabinet.

The dinner, put together on short notice was attended by Messrs. Ash, Brennan, Harlow, Weinberger, Morton, Dent, Brinegar and Bush.

The purpose was to informally discuss how the Cabinet might more effectively support the President.

The President arrived before the dinner - visited in a relaxed manner. There was no substantive discussion.

The President commented over and over again on the uniqueness of the Alibi Club, examined the cartoons of the members and looked at all the relics in this unique club.

The President indicated to Chairman Bush he'd like to attend a dinner at the Alibi Club - soon.

Bush passed on to the President his regrets that some of the Cabinet who needed this kind of meeting weren't there due to meeting being set up late!

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 18, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: GEORGE BUSH
FROM: CHARLES W.B. WARDELL, III
SUBJECT: Memorandum for the President's File

Please prepare a Memorandum for the President's File on his drop-by Bush dinner for the Cabinet, Monday, December 3, 1973 at 7:20 p.m.

DATE DUE: Forty-eight (48) hours after receipt of this memorandum.

Thank you.

See attached*****

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Members: ~~At the~~ Ashton, Dent, Brinkman, Henshaw, Winkler, Blanton, Dent, Brinkman - Bank.

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*file
White House*

June 27, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: General Alexander Haig

From: George Bush

Re: Presidential Press Conference on Watergate

Prior to Dean's testimony I had dictated a letter strongly recommending a Presidential press conference. I had in mind the meeting we had with the Republican leadership, and my own conviction that the more information that could be put out directly by the President on the subject of Watergate the better off we are.

There is a feeling of confusion; there is a feeling of "not knowing"; and there is a feeling of wanting to believe the President which can be totally shored up by yet another Presidential statement. I have talked to Fred Buzhardt and Leonard Garment about this and I recognize there are certain complications, but I would strongly urge that the President have another press conference as soon as some of the rebuttal witnesses to Dean have been heard.

I worry about the lack of civility at some of the recent White House press conferences. The President should not be subjected to the shouting, screaming and accusing that have faced some of the White House staff and many of us on the outside. In all likelihood the press corps would be more civil to the President than they have been with others. The hysteria surrounding the revelations on Watergate should be subdued by the fact that this was a Presidential press conference. To avoid any risk, however, thought should be given to an interview type press conference with the three major television network interviewers asking the questions.

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June 27, 1973

Summary:

People want to believe in the President and the Presidency. Basically they do, but particularly in Party circles there is a feeling that they must have more information. This is especially true now in light of Dean's testimony. I therefore recommend:

a.) That the President hold a press conference soon selecting the optimum format, and

b.) The President should move around the country as much as possible speaking on major issues, meeting Party leaders - business leaders, labor leaders, etc. I would think that possibly four trips two weeks apart over widely dispersed geographic areas would be good. I am convinced the President will be warmly received.

cc Mr. Bryce Harlow

GB:JJJ

GB/eq

cc: Bryce Harlow

- (a) the President should hold a press conference soon
(b) he should move around the country as much as possible.
He will be warmly received.

I recognize the risks, but I am convinced the President should hold a press conference as soon as possible.
If the press are uncivil (shouting, screaming, accusing), a dignified, "cool" President will emerge a clear winner. If the questioning is orderly and respectful, the President, leveling with the people, strongly reiterating his non-involvement, will gain.
People want to believe in the President and in the Presidency, but as I travel and talk to people across the country, I am convinced

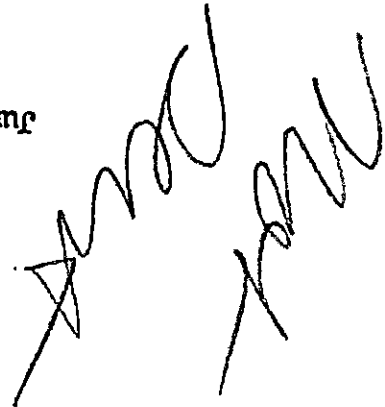
SUBJECT: Presidential press conference on Watergate

FROM: George Bush

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Hald

June 26, 1973

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cc. Bryce Hulton

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July 2, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: Bryce Harlow, Anne Armstrong, Leonard Garment

From: George Bush

I sent the attached confidential memo to the President. I thought you might be interested.

Best,

July 2, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: General Alexander Haig

From: George Bush

Dear Al:

I prepared the attached "Mood of the Party" memo for the President.

I sent a copy to Bryce Harlow, Anne Armstrong and Leonard Garment (passed to Buzhardt).

We're in fair shape. I expect when we get by those witnesses dragged in by Dean, we'll be doing okay.

Best

GB:jj

July 2, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: The President
Through: General Haig

From: George Bush

Re: The Mood of the GOP

CONFIDENTIAL - NO ACTION REQUIRED

I have just returned from a four-state visit (see attached schedule to show types of events);

With the exception of a meeting with students at the University of Washington, the other meetings were Party and press meetings.

The Press questions were:

Watergate - 95%
Connally - 3%
Other - 2%

The Party people asked me almost exclusively about Watergate;

I would summarize the "mood" as follows:

A.) Press: Skeptical -

More "civil" than Washington, DC. and New York Press conferences. For the most part, willing to entertain the thesis that "Party" is not the loser out of scandal.

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B.) Students: (A leadership group of Political Science students at Washington University - Seattle).

Unwilling to accept at all my conviction that President uninvolved in Watergate. Reasonable acceptance of thesis that Party should not suffer because of Watergate. Civil in attitude - good questions.

C.) Party people:

1.)

Almost unanimous desire to believe that the President is telling the truth. Abhorrence of "enemies" list. Immense frustration about CRP - all that money sitting there and its continued existence.

2.)

Feel the press is playing up Watergate too much.

3.)

Unanimous distrust of Dean, but some uncertainty as to his testimony, particularly the alleged September 15 conversation with the President.

Generally want President to hold a press conference or "speak out." Generally do not feel President should appear before Senate Committee.

4.)

Strong belief in President Nixon. Believe when others testify Dean will be "put in his place" and the President will be exonerated. Continually asking "What mood is the President in? How is he doing? How's his frame of mind? Is government going forward?"

Enthusiastic support for any emphasis of our positive accomplishments - peace, hold line on taxes, etc.

Summary:

The Party people need "shoring up." They want to believe in the President. They are hurt and embarrassed by Watergate. They feel "betrayed" by Watergate but when told we will overcome, based on the President's record and Party principles, they react enthusiastically.

Attachment to Bush Memorandum to the President - July 2, 1973

Bush Schedule

June 28 - Denver, Colorado. Press conference - meet with large donors. Speech - Colorado State Central Committee.

June 29 - Seattle, Washington. Breakfast - a few large donors.

Press conference - Q:A.

Press luncheon - Q:A.

Meet with political science students - Q:A.

Meet with Finance Committee - Q:A.

Meet with elected officials and large donors. Talk.

Meet with \$ 50 fundraisers. Speech.

King County precinct workers. Speech.

June 30 - Helena, Montana.

Press conference - Q:A.

TV show - Q:A.

GOP State Convention - Speech.

July 1 - New York City.

Dedication - Lionel Hampton.

GB:jj



From the desk of
GEORGE BUSH

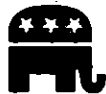
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From the desk of
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From the desk of
GEORGE BUSH

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*Is government
going forward*

Nixon Will Emerge Strong, Says Bush

BY WALTER EVANS

Republican National Chairman George Bush said in Seattle yesterday that when the Watergate facts are all in, "I'm confident that President Nixon will emerge strong and will continue to run the country — and run it well."

Bush's statement came as no surprise at a special media luncheon at Shilshole Bay. He proved himself a team player in the administration mold — with enough of the Texas wildness to still cut an individual figure.

"Watergate is wrong ... bad ... evil," he said. "But I worry that people will be convicted in other people's minds before the facts are all in."

"I'll stick with the President until he's proven guilty. I'll stick with him over a man who is an admitted liar, a man who admitted that he misused funds (a reference to John Dean III).

"I have confidence in this President."

Still, Bush disassociated the Republican Party from the Watergate scandal, saying:

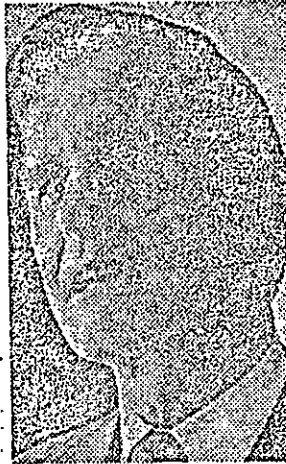
"I disassociate the party from Watergate, but I do not disassociate the party from the White House."

"I don't want to get critical of any specific aides of the President, but any who have become involved in Watergate have betrayed a trust."

Bush said he had talked to Nixon about Watergate and that the President was "very reassuring."

"He clearly, unequivocally said he didn't know about, didn't participate in the cover up of Watergate," Bush said.

Bush was in Seattle for a Republican fund-raising



GEORGE BUSH

"I have confidence"

appearance at the Washington Athletic Club yesterday.

He was affable in the 45-minute exchange with newsmen, but became testy when the matter of his discussion with Nixon about Watergate was pressed.

"I didn't ask him if he had lied," Bush snapped. "I'm not going into a private discussion I had with the President. Let's just leave it this way."

"I've looked into it and this testimony (of John Dean) will not stand unchallenged."

On a broader political scale, Bush said that "out of the admitted and disapproved ugliness of Watergate comes a challenge to the Republican Party. We stand at a low ebb, but I see it as a revitalization of the party."

"I stress the posture of our party in regards to war and peace, the economy, taxes, civil tranquility ... these are the things people can vote on."

He termed this a year of political realignment epitomized by the switch

of fellow Texan John Connally and others to the Republican Party.

"There's no doubt," he said, "that in '72 there was a difference in priorities between the President and the Party. The President was interested in getting himself reelected."

"This year, though, there's no conflict in priorities. The President and the Party have the same priorities — to elect Republicans to office."

"I think the Party's in pretty good shape."

On the other hand, Bush termed the Democratic Party a "very fractured party ... one that people can identify with less and less."

Touching on other items, Bush said:

① "I don't think the President should reply to every witness in the Watergate hearings. After all have testified, he should take a look at it and then reply ... give a full disclosure."

② "We have history's strongest domestic economy. I'm not saying that there aren't some dislocations, but we have the strongest real growth, a Gross National Product that's enormous ..."

③ "I think the Party is more open in its candidate selections than that (answering a question whether or not Nixon would be able to handpick his successor)."

④ "In the next election we will emphasize the positive. Foreign affairs is one area in which we have had rather spectacular success. We've held the line on taxes ..."

"I think the voter is fair. I don't think he'll blame another member of the Party who is not involved in Watergate for those who are involved."

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GOP chief: system functions properly

HELENA (AP) — With the Watergate affair on his mind, National Republican Committee chairman George Bush said Saturday he feels a sense of urgency to show that the American political system is functioning properly.

Bush, who served as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations for two years until January, said that job had given him a good view of how politics in other countries operate.

"How many other countries could purge themselves at such a high level" as the U.S. has done over Watergate, he asked during a press conference. Bush also addressed the 1973 Montana Republican Convention during a trip to Colorado, Washington, Montana and New York.

Bush said President Nixon's credibility is intact despite Watergate, and that the administration will continue to make inroads into pressing problems around the world.

He insisted that Watergate will not harm the GOP. "The party is clean," Bush said and

termed the American people "basically fair."

He said a number of political races have gone in favor of Republicans despite Watergate.

"Life goes on. I think that is the message from the people," he said.

On the Middle East, the past ambassador said the big power cannot negotiate a peace in that area, but can at least work to get the two protagonists, the Arabs and the Israelis, to sit down and talk together.

Bush indicated he was not especially happy about his switch from U.N. post to Republican chairman in January.

However, he said, the job of revitalizing the party is proving to be a great challenge.

He said he has no future political plans except to continue as chairman. But he added:

"There have been rumors that I will go back to Texas to run for office."

Bush became active in politics while living in Texas in the early 1960s, where he ran unsuccessfully for the U.S. Senate in 1964.

June 28, 1973

Scandal hurts individuals more than party, says chairman

By SHELBY GILJE

Citing the Teapot Dome scandal of the 1920s, George Bush, Republican national chairman, said today that the "party is not the loser" in a scandal — "it hurts those who break the trust."

Bush is here to meet with the State Republican Central Committee and county Republicans. He will speak tonight on "Watergate and the Future of the G. O. P." at a dinner at the Washington Athletic Club.

Bush said that after the Teapot Dome Scandal, Republicans actually picked up seats in Congress.

"People are fair," Bush said.

"I don't want to seem unconcerned about Watergate," he said. Bush said a



George Bush

hearing should be called now for all named by John W. Dean in his testimony before the Senate Watergate Committee.

"Let's not accept the words of a coverup artist and a misuser of funds," Bush said, referring to Dean.

He said he was not im-

pressed with Dean's testimony.

The former congressman and United States ambassador said he was confident that the investigations of the Justice Department, the Senate Watergate Committee and a curious press will bring about full disclosure of the facts.

Bush expressed confidence in the President and said Mr. Nixon should not testify before the Watergate Committee.

Bush said that if he finds anyone in the national committee who had been involved in the Watergate scandal, "I'll fire him."

"We aren't trying to separate ourselves from President Nixon, but from those who have violated the law," Bush said.

Bush urged the press and the public to "wait and see if everyone comes in on Dean's side."

On the matter of the lists of White House "enemies," Bush called it "a rather ugly revelation of a kind of arrogance. I don't like the idea of an enemy list," Bush said.

Of the Democratic senators listed, Bush said, "Of course I want to see them beaten, but openly."

On the matter of the national committee and money, Bush noted that "a lot of money is still tied up in the Committee to Re-Elect the President."

Bush said the money is tied up in law suits and the national committee is in a bind financially.

TO: The President
THROUGH: General Haig
FROM: George Bush

SUBJECT: Successor to Ruckelshaus
at EPA

DATE: May 14, 1973

I suggest Russell Train be named to succeed Ruckelshaus at EPA.

He is "balanced" on environmental matters.

His environmental credentials are unsurpassed - excellent background - good international experience as well as domestic. Excellent relations with Congress. Senators Baker and Buckley strongly for him. Was on Ways and Means staff - respected on both sides of the aisle.

He can be flexible.

He has good press and industry relations.

To avoid the charge of "musical chairs", it would probably be good to name a successor to Train at the same time.

cc: Jerry Jones
bcc: Dick Thornton

May 29, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: General Haig
From: George Bush
Re: CRP Funds

The President has told me that he wants the assets at CRP to be used to help elect Republicans to office in 1974 (and, I presume, 1976).

He specifically stated that he wanted the money to be used to help elect non-incumbents to Congress in '74.

At this time no money could be transferred to RNC without getting the RNC involved in several of the lawsuits pending against the CREP. My political judgment is:

a) We should "lay claim" to the money by indicating that we expect the money will go to RNC after the lawsuits are cleared up. (We picked up many Presidential campaign deficits in the past.)

b) That no attempt be made to transfer the funds at this time.

In this regard, unless the President has changed his thinking, I will tell the meeting of the CRP Finance Committee on June 5 that the President wants the money to come to the RNC after the suits are cleared up.

Yes

No

GB:jj

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MEMO TO GEN. HAIG
FROM GEORGE BUSH.

SUBJECT CRP FUNDS

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~~It is my recommendation~~

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the RNC after the suits are
cleared up.

~~agreed~~ Yes

NO

May 29, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: General Haig
From: George Bush
Re: CREP Data Base (Magnetic Tapes)

It is my recommendation that the CREP data files, stored at UCC in Dallas, be made available to the RNC now. This can be done, in my opinion, without getting RNC involved in law-suits pending against CREP.

A contract exists between CREP and UCC. UCC currently is storing these computer data in Dallas. The data base consists of magnetic tapes of registered voters in several states.

Sam Wyly, President of UCC, says that all he needs is a letter along the lines of the attached draft in order to make the data base available to the RNC.

I recommend that someone in the White House, other than the President, send - through me - a letter to Wyly, making the data base available to the RNC.

Agree

Disagree

GB:jj

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DRAFT

Mr. Sam Wyly, President
University Computing Company
7220 North Stemmons Freeway
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Wyly:

In accordance with provisions of the contract of 1 July, 1972, between the Finance Committee to Re-Elect the President and the University Computing Company, the disposition of the Voter Data Base tapes requires written instruction.

On behalf of the President, I would like to advise you that it is the intention of President Nixon that all future access^{to} and disposition of the Voter Data Base will be handled by the Chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Your continued cooperation in these matters is greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

GB:jj

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To Gen Hwy
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SUBJECT CREP DATA BASE
(Magnetic tapes)

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^{in the White House}
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Wyle making the data base
available to RNC

Agree

Disagree

TAB C - Proposed White House Letter

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Draft
please

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Dallas, Texas

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On behalf of the President, I would like to advise you that it is the intention of President Nixon that all future access and disposition of the Voter Data Base will be handled by the Chairman of the Republican National Committee, Mr. George Bush, and his representative

~~Mr. Jim White. The chairman of the RNC may from now on~~
~~when necessary be selected as far as possible~~
Your continued cooperation in these matters is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Republican
National
Committee.

May 23, 1973

MEMORANDUM TO: CHAIRMAN BUSH
FROM: JIM WHITE *JS*
SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF CREP DATA FILES TO RNC

The purpose of this memorandum is to recommend those actions which will accomplish the transfer of the CREP Voter Registration Data Base and related data to RNC.

As background, several tabs are attached which are:

- TAB A - Page 4, #7 of the UCC - CREP Contract which defines who has access to the Data Base plus "other person or persons as may be designated in writing by President Richard M. Nixon".
- TAB B - A opinion concerning the legal aspects of transferring the Data Base to RNC.
- TAB C - A suggested letter from the White House to UCC to accomplish the transfer of the Voter Data Base.

Voter Data Base

The Voter Data Base consists of magnetic tapes of registered voters as follows:

California Voters	8,626,372
Connecticut Voters	1,373,465
Florida Republican Voters	381,000
Illinois Voters	2,682,289
Maryland Voters	1,349,118
New Hampshire Republican Voters	186,461
New Jersey Voters	3,196,192
Ohio Voters	3,381,464
Pennsylvania Voters	5,157,088
Texas Voters	3,970,274
Massachusetts-prominent Republicans	13,000
	<u>30,316,723</u>

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Presidential Approval Letter

Based on the terms of the contract between UCC and CREP, (see Tab A), a letter should be sent to UCC designating who at RNC may have access to the Data Base. A proposed letter is attached as Tab C.

Recommendation re Funding of Data Base Support to 1974 Congressional Candidate

In order to adequately support the 10 Senate candidates and the 168 Congressional candidates in districts covered by the data base, I recommend that a request for remaining CREP funds be submitted to the President from the RNC Chairman, the Chairman of the Senate Campaign Committee, and the Chairman of the Congressional Campaign Committee. The requested funds should be designated to be utilized solely by 1974 Congressional candidates for the purposes of:

- . Direct Mail Labels/Letters
- . Canvass Sheets
- . Telephone Sheets
- . Get Out the Vote List

The amount of funding for the 1974 congressional races should be \$600,000.

Recommendation re Policy of Sharing Computer Voter Lists to State Chairmen

For those eleven states where we have voter lists, it is recommended that RNC make the voter lists available to the Republican State Chairmen who are willing to cooperate with RNC in a list maintenance program. Such a program would require the State Committee to provide additions and deletions for the county voter lists and the costs of updating the computer lists would be divided between the RNC and the State Committee. Y₂

Recommendation re Sharing of Voter Lists with Incumbent Republican Congressmen

Based on the desire to strengthen the position of incumbent Republican congressmen, it is recommended that RNC make the voter list for the applicable congressional district available for use in the House and Senate mailing systems only. We should require that they agree in writing not to trade, sell, or otherwise distribute these lists.

TAB A

7. UCC will store all tapes received or generated hereunder during the term and for a period of up to sixty (60) days after the expiration of the term of this Agreement and only permit access thereto by Messrs. Jeb S. Magruder, Robert H. Marik, L. Robert Morgan, or such other person or persons as may be designated in writing by President Richard M. Nixon. The COMMITTEE will instruct UCC in writing concerning the disposition of said tapes before the end of this sixty (60) day period.

B. EXTRA SERVICES. All requirements of COMMITTEE for service not identified and described as "Basic Services" in the Agreement shall be considered as Extra Services and shall be determined in accordance with this paragraph. COMMITTEE may make requests for Extra Services from time to time after the date of this Agreement. All such requests shall be subject to the mutual agreement of the parties as to scheduling of performance, and charges to COMMITTEE for such Extra Services. All such services, and the agreements as to scheduling and charges in relation thereto, shall be fully described and reflected in ATTACHMENT "A" to this Agreement and subsequent amendments to said Attachment as shall be hereafter attached to this Agreement and incorporated herein by reference.

C. PAYMENT AND PRICING. The minimum charge for the basic services defined under Section A of this Agreement is \$1,013,000 plus cost of supplies.

There shall be added to this minimum charge amounts determined in

TAB B - LEGAL OPINION

Federal Tax Considerations

There is no provision in the Internal Revenue Code exempting an organization engaged in this type of activity from tax. Accordingly, the organization will be subject to Federal tax. However, since the organization will be run on a non-profit basis, any tax on the organization should be minimal.

If it is important to avoid Federal tax on sales of the data, the data could be transferred to the Republican National Committee. Transfers of data would then be intra-party transfers. Arguably, there would be no tax on the transfers, since there would be no trade or business and no sale or exchange with respect to the transfer.

Form of Organization

We have considered three types of organization as possible vehicles for the retention of ownership in the property (the political data):

- (1) a corporation,
- (2) an unincorporated committee, and
- (3) a trust.

The following general discussion indicates some of the advantages and disadvantages of each form.

(1) Corporation

A general business or a non-profit corporation could be established to hold title to the property. The corporation form would provide a definite legal entity to hold the property and administer distributions of information. It would be a separate entity for Federal tax purposes. Accordingly, there would be no tax on shareholders unless distributions were made. Further, the normal advantages of corporate form such as limited liability would be derived.

The major problem with corporate form is raised by the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. The Act prohibits any contribution to a political party by a corporation (18OSC § 610). Since the data held by the corporation will be sold on a non-profit basis to Republicans only, it could be argued that the sales of data are bargain sales resulting in contributions to the Republican Party and therefore prohibited by the Act.

Additional problems are raised if the corporation is dissolved. Any distribution of the data at that time to the Republican Party would be a direct contribution of property under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. Accordingly, for example, the corporation could not be dissolved by distributing the property to the Republican National Committee.

In addition to the above problems under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, there would be potential tax liability on dissolution. The normal rule is that a shareholder receives a capital gain when property is distributed on dissolution; equal to

the difference between the fair market value of the property and the shareholder's basis in the corporation.

The above problem with respect to the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to sales of data could be avoided by charging an amount for distributions of data equal to the fair market value of the data. Although this might create a Federal tax liability because it would result in a profit, it would avoid arguments that the distribution was in part a political contribution.

Further, the above problems on the dissolution of the corporation could be avoided by continuing the corporation in existence as long as the data is useful to the Republican Party. When the data is no longer useful, it could be distributed to a university or other charitable or educational organization. This would avoid any problem under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 and would result in no Federal tax liability.

(2) Unincorporated Committee

The data could be retained by the Committee to Reelect the President or transferred to a similar unincorporated committee. This form would avoid any problems under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

The major disadvantage of this form is the lack of limited liability. The members of the committee would be individually liable for contracts. From a tax standpoint, the committee could be structured in a form that would be taxable either as a trust or corporation in order for any tax to be on the committee. This would avoid individual tax liability on the members of the committee.

(3) Trust

The property could be placed in trust for the benefit of the Republican National Committee or a similar organization. The purpose of the trust would be to preserve and deal with the information in prescribed fashion for a designated period and to distribute the data at a future date to the beneficiary.

The trust would be similar to a corporation in that it would provide a definite entity for holding the property and for paying taxes. In addition, the trust would have the advantage of limited liability. A trust would not be subject to the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971. It would be taxable as a separate entity to the extent that it sold data at a profit but there would be no tax on the beneficiary of the trust unless distributions were made to it. Further, upon termination of the trust, there would be no tax on the distribution unless the trust had accumulated income. Therefore, a trust would avoid the tax problems discussed above incident to the liquidation of a corporation.

It is technically possible, however, that this type of trust may be subject to the rule against perpetuities. Under that rule, the trust could not remain in existence beyond a life or lives in being plus 21 years. However, if there is no intention to hold the data for a long period of time, a trust for a 20 year period with the remaining property distributed to the Republican National Committee might be a satisfactory solution.

Conclusion

There are advantages and disadvantages of each form discussed above. However, the most advantageous form appears to be a trust, provided that there is no desire to continue the organization indefinitely.

June 20, 1973

MEMORANDUM

TO THE PRESIDENT:

THROUGH DAVID N. PARKER:

FROM: GEORGE BUSH

PURPOSE: I am planning an informal Alibi Club dinner in the Fall for all the Past Chairmen of the Republican National Committee. Apparently this has never been done before. We are planning it for a weekday. It is my thought that it would be most appropriate and good "Party building" for the President to permit me to bring the past Chairmen by for a drink or for a visit. There should be press opportunities. The President should go on record as emphasizing the importance of Party, etc. He would express himself as pleased to see his old friends from the political arena, etc.

DATE: We are open for suggestions as to date. I would like to set a date for my dinner when we are pretty sure the President could receive the past Chairmen.

OBJECTIVE: My purpose in having a dinner is to get the advice of the past Chairmen, make them feel "wanted", etc. The President's purpose in permitting us to drop by would be to emphasize the importance of continuity of the Republican Party, etc.

FORMAT: I would suggest the meeting in the EOB office or in some White House room. The best would be if the President could drop in on our dinner or join us for dinner

SPEECH

MATERIAL: No speech material would be required, of course. Press coverage should be restricted to photo coverage and an announcement that the President had met with all the past Chairmen of the Republican National Committee.

PRESS FOLLOWUP: We would give this a big press followup in Republican Party organs, and because it's never happened before it should get national attention - certainly photographs would be widely used.

GB/hc

REQUEST: I need from you, David, a general feeling as to whether the President would be willing to participate in any way in such a meeting, and then, as wide as possible, a suggestion of dates. If the President does not desire to participate I'd like to know this, because I will proceed with the dinner anyway.

STAFF: I will be inviting Bryce Harlow and Mel Laird to attend the dinner, but there would be no necessity of having many members of the President's staff drop in at the proposed meeting.

JK file

VIA:

David N. Parker

MEETING: or greeting - drop-by - address - reception - etc.

DATE: day and date proposed (leave blank if no specific time requirement)

PURPOSE: explicitly state what is to be done

OBJECTIVE: explicitly stated as to why the event should be done and exactly what our objective is in doing it

FORMAT: -location (room, office or city and specific place in the city)
-participants (attach list and narrative discussion of composition of the group or audience)
-expected length of participation requested
-when speaking to an audience or convention, preliminary program must be attached
-indicate other suggested movements

SPEECH MATERIAL: remarks or talking points - required topic
state concisely what types of remarks are appropriate

PRESS COVERAGE: state what type of press and photo coverage would be desirable to accomplish our press objectives

PRESS FOLLOWUP: -describe how event will be publicized and precisely what the press follow through will be
-what will be the resulting story?
-do you anticipate photograph in the newspapers?
-would there be a headline attached to the story?

STAFF: attending meeting

RECOMMEND: list of those who support the proposal and include any pertinent comment they may make concerning the proposal

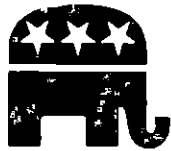
OPPOSED: cite any opposition to the proposal and why

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: state whether or not the President has seen officials or participated in meetings of organization named and when

BACKGROUND: this should indicate both the pros and cons of the proposal in the briefest possible manner

APPROVE _____ DISAPPROVE _____

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GB:

To date we've heard from all the former
RNC CHairmen about your proposed meeting
except Wesley Roberts and Herb Brownell.

The tally breaks down as follows on time:

Weekend - 1
Weekday - 8
Summer - 2
Fall - 6
Anytime - 1

How do you want to proceed?

El O.

Wesley

Nixon / 28 / Suggested letters for Sandman, Gov Cahill, Rep. T. ...

June 19, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: The President
Through: General Haig
From: George Bush
Re: New Jersey Governor's Race

As you know, Charles Sandman won a big primary victory over Governor Cahill. There has been much speculation that Cahill and Sandman, who have never been on good terms, would not get together.

On June 18 Sandman and Cahill had a private meeting, and out of the meeting came a good endorsement of Sandman by Cahill.

Cahill is reported to be terribly disappointed over his defeat. A letter to both Cahill and Sandman, along the lines of the attached drafts, would be most appropriate.

Enclosures (2 drafts)

GB:jj

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DRAFT

June 19, 1973

**The Honorable William T. Cahill
Governor of the State of New Jersey
State Capitol
Trenton, New Jersey**

Dear Bill:

I know how disappointed you must have been at the results of your primary, but I noted with keen interest and satisfaction your statement saying you would support Representative Charles Sandman. This, of course, is in the finest tradition of American politics.

I am grateful to you for the support you have given me over the years, particularly for heading my campaign in New Jersey.

Again, I just wanted you to know I have seen the magnanimous statement you issued about your opponent, and I commend you for it.

DRAFT

June 19, 1973

The Honorable Charles W. Sandman, Jr.
115 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Charlie:

I just wanted to congratulate you on your primary victory. I noticed in the June 19 newspapers that Governor Cahill has endorsed your candidacy. I am delighted that you two got together for a private meeting.

We must keep that governorship in the Republican column, and I want you to know you have my wholehearted support and endorsement.

May 29, 1973

MEMORANDUM

For: The President (No Action Required)
Through: General Haig
From: George Bush
Re: Rhode Island Base Closings

Mayor James L. Taft of Cranston, Rhode Island, who headed the CRP effort in Rhode Island, came to see me.

He was enraged by the base closings, principally because of an advertisement which was written in CRP headquarters in Washington (copy attached).

I am discussing this with DOD, but felt you should know there is a major flap because of the CRP ad.

GB:jj

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world be a very different place. The McCoy family in Rhode Island could have too many children. You could lose and lose and lose out. A woman and her dependents would have to leave the state — no baby to Rhode Island. Second, you could be a migrant.

‘Say, a Rhode Islander, I don’t know you and I’m

Heene, Donald, Abner, George, and others. Heene also could be in line since Senator McGovern would curtail any substantial portion of the federal budget.

Forbes said the matter ended here for also of concern to Rhode Islanders is the safety of their coastline. They know that the desirability of future green banks on some limitations and accessions rests on America's ability to negotiate from a position of strength. And that position would be endangered by a huge deficit. A curbside one proposed by Senator McGovern.

Forbes said that if it were possible to have a

who's president might not vary much. President Nixon, on the other hand, has more than 100 reasons why more and more people are saying that America needs president Nixon—100 more than even

**President Nixon.
Now more than ever.**

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BUMPER**

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**APPEALING
HOCKEY'S**

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TO: The President

SUBJECT: Successor to Ruckelshaus
at EPA

THROUGH: General Haig

FROM: George Bush

DATE: May 14, 1973

I suggest Russell Train be named to succeed Ruckelshaus at EPA.

He is "balanced" on environmental matters.

His environmental credentials are unsurpassed - excellent background - good international experience as well as domestic. Excellent relations with Congress. Senators Baker and Buckley strongly for him. Was on Ways and Means staff - respected on both sides of the aisle.

He can be flexible.

He has good press and industry relations.

To avoid the charge of "musical chairs", it would probably be good to name a successor to Train at the same time.

cc: Jerry Jones
cc: Dick Thaxton

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May 8, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: Rose Mary Woods

From: George Bush

Subject: Mrs. Jean McG. Boese, Member
Republican National Committee
831 City Park Boulevard
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301

This is a time when a word or two to Party people from the President would spread like wildfire.

Attached is a newspaper interview by the above Party Member. A short appreciative note from the President would mean a lot to Jean, but further, it would spread all over the South and would show that President Nixon is interested in the Party. Jean has a remarkable capacity for talk - and she talks constructively about the President.

Could you send her a short letter from the President.

Enclosure

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Mrs. Boese Supports Nixon Action

By Bill Hathorn
(Town Talk Staff Writer).

"The whole series of events about the break-in of Democratic national headquarters has been blown way out of proportion by the Washington Post, New York Times, and the television media," Mrs. Jean Boese, Republican national committeewoman from Alexandria said Monday.

Mrs. Boese told the Town Talk she is convinced that President Nixon had "nothing whatsoever to do with the bizarre and ridiculous break-in of Democratic national headquarters."

"He is too intelligent and too honorable a man to ever be involved in anything that is not strictly on the up and up," Mrs. Boese added, in reference to the president.

"I think he made it perfectly clear in his speech that he had nothing to do with the affair," Mrs. Boese said today when contacted again in connection with the Presi-

dent's address Monday night. She added that she agrees with Nixon's position that "the man at the top must take full responsibility for seeing that things are straightened out" when those below him err.

She also said that she deeply regrets the resignation Monday of Atty. Gen. Richard Kleindienst. "I know he had nothing to do with the whole matter," said Mrs. Boese.

The GOP national committeewoman further contended that the Watergate affair is an effort by the "press to get even with President Nixon for having won such an outstanding victory without their help."

Mrs. Boese doubted the Watergate issue will have any serious impact on the 1974 mid-term congressional elections.

She declined to comment on the resignations of White House Counsel John Dean III and aides John D. Ehrlichman and H.R. Haldeman but added that she has confidence the administration will resolve the matter.

She said the Watergate affair might be "worthwhile if it clears once and for all the question of political espionage in the nation." She claimed that the Democratic party also spied upon activi-

ties of the Republicans in the elections of 1964 and 1968.

Mrs. Boese likened the Democratic bugging case to the Indian problem at Wounded Knee, S.D., in regard to a lack of proportion in news reporting.

April 4, 1973

No Action Required

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: GEORGE BUSH

SUBJECT: JEWEL LAFONTANT
DEPUTY SOLICITOR GENERAL

On purely social occasions in the last week I talked to Mr. Justice Powell and Mr. Justice Stewart. Both of them told me that Jewel Lafontant had done a first-class job in presenting a very difficult case before the Supreme Court. The Powell comment came at a dinner I was giving, which was attended by both Mrs. Lafontant and the Justice, and the Stewart comment came in a luncheon at my house. I raised the subject with Justice Stewart saying Powell had told me Jewel had done a first-class job, and Stewart commented, "I was surprised they gave her such a highly technical case to argue, but she did it very well indeed."

CC: John Ehrlichman

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March 26, 1973

MEMORANDUM

TO: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: GEORGE BUSH
RE: PAUL GALLANTI - FORMER PRISONER OF WAR

Barbara and I were visiting with Paul Gallanti Friday night and he told me that just prior to the election in his camp they took a poll amongst their fellow-prisoners regarding the Presidential election. He said there were 205 people in the camp -- the vote was 195 for Nixon, 5 for McGovern, and the others didn't care.

He also said that when the election was over the guards never notified them officially that you had won the election. After a day or so of silence Gallanti spoke up after the guard made some announcement and said, "Nixon won, huh?" The guard hauled him out of line and took him to the commanding officer and the commanding officer interrogated him and asked what this was about and Paul repeated, all I said was "Nixon won, huh?", at which the captain gave him a long lecture that it makes no difference who won the election, etc., etc., etc. Interesting anecdote. No action required.

Incidentally, at the reception a former prisoner from North Carolina came up to me and gave me the names of three POW's whom he thought would be excellent candidates. I did not solicit this invitation, but I carefully wrote down the three names.

GB/hc

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March 21, 1973

Honorable Pierre S. du Pont
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Pete:

The word on the proposed dinner is negative.

I am very sorry.

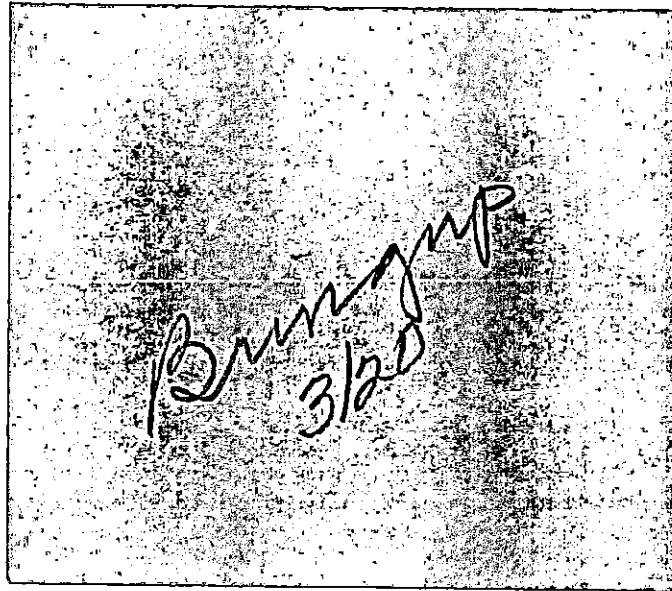
The President had to turn down Governors
Reagan and Meskill also.

Sorry I couldn't work it out.

Best regards,

George Bush

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Myron Han Richard

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Dinner to
Boggs, Han J. Cole
per Ruth Sen. Boggs
& DuPont, Han P. II
February 20, 1973

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I received the attached letter from Senator Roth and Congressman DuPont. Normally, we turn down the more routine requests for a Presidential appearance.

Inasmuch as this one is in honor of Cale Boggs with whom you entered the Congress on the same day, and inasmuch as Delaware did do an excellent job financially in your campaign, I think it is worth your consideration.

Delaware has some state party financial problems, all of which could be solved with a successful Cale Boggs' Testimonial Dinner. I think we could avoid the idea of establishing a precedent for bailing out state parties by emphasizing your friendship with Boggs, should you desire to do this.

If you are agreeable to do it, the dinner certainly should come after the May 9th House-Senate-RNC dinner.

Respectfully,

George Bush

Att.

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du Pont, Hon Pierre
February 20, 1973
Pres. to Delaware

The Honorable William V. Roth
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

I received your February 14 letter regarding
a possible Presidential visit to Delaware.

I will take this up with the President and
see what we can come up with. I'll be back in
touch.

Warm regards,

George Bush

GB/hc

February 20, 1973

The Hon. Pierre S. du Pont, IV, M.C.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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a possible Presidential visit to Delaware.

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Warm regards,

George Bush

GB/hc



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

PIERRE S. DU PONT, IV
AT LARGE
DELAWARE

February 14, 1973

Mr. George Bush
Republican National Committee
301 First Street, SE
Washington, D. C. 20003

(1)

Dear George,

Following up on our meeting last week, we hope it will be possible for the President to come to Delaware this spring for a Cale Boggs Testimonial Dinner.

As you know, Cale lost by a small margin, and all of us in the party feel that he would appreciate an expression of our support for the fine job he did in the campaign, and his 25 years of public service on behalf of Delaware. We believe it would be most appropriate to have the President make a presentation to Cale, particularly since they entered the Congress together in 1947, and are both charter members of Chowder and Marching.

A visit by the President would also help the Delaware Republican Party to regain its financial health. In 1972, we in Delaware were called upon to finance statewide campaigns for U. S. Senator, Governor, and U. S. Congress. In addition, I'm sure you know that Delaware far exceeded its quota for contributions to the President's re-election campaign. All of these financial demands for what is basically one Congressional District have left us with a large debt, and in precarious financial condition. I dare say that few other congressional districts in the country were called upon to make such financial commitments. A large fund raising dinner with the President would enable us to reverse this condition and immediately begin the task of fund raising for the 1974 campaigns.

Mr. George Bush

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Page 2

Plans for the evening would tentatively call for a cocktail party and a dinner in Wilmington, to be arranged around the President's schedule.

We would be happy to meet with you again to discuss the subject further, but want to stress the importance of such an evening to the Republican Party in Delaware.

Sincerely yours,



William V. Roth
U. S. Senate



Pierre S. du Pont, IV
Member of Congress

March 19, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: David Parker

From: George Bush

Dear Dave:

With reference to your memo of March 6, here's a list of 15.

These would be key political operatives across the RNC structure. They are for the most part the more active ones.

I tried to use some geographical balance.

Encl.

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Huck Boyd - Kansas - RNC Committeeman
McDill (Huck) Boyd
257 F Street
Phillipsburg, Kansas 67661
913-543-5242

Clarke Reed - Mississippi - State Chairman
P. O. Box 894
Greenville, Mississippi 38701
601-335-5822

David Little - Idaho - RNC Committeeman
210 Main Street
Emmett, Idaho 83617
208-365-4821
Portable phone 208-365-5271 Unit 5206

Robert Galvin - Illinois - Chairman of Motorola
Franklin Park, Illinois
312-451-1000

Gwen Anderson - Washington - Committeewoman
Mrs. Harlan J. Anderson
2212 South Vancouver
Kennewick, Washington 99336
509-582-2377

Mary Louise Smith - Iowa - Committeewoman
Mrs. Elmer M. Smith
654 59th Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50312
515-279-5390

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Political

Ray Bliss - Ohio - Former National Chairman
425 First National Tower
Akron, Ohio 44308
216-762-8903

George Hinman - New York - RNC Committeeman
30 Rockefeller Plaza, Room 5600
New York, New York 10020
212-247-3700

John H. Haugh - Arizona - RNC Committeeman.
3928 North Fairview Road
Tucson, Arizona 85705
602-887-0440 and 602-887-0488

Gordon Luce - California - State Chairman
1265 Sixth Avenue
San Diego, California 92101
714-234-8844

John Andrews - Ohio - State Chairman
50 West Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215
614-228-2481

Dr. George Willeford - Texas - State Chairman
720 West 34th Street
Austin, Texas 78705
512-454-7741

Ody J. Fish - Wisconsin - Committeeman
135 Cottonwood Avenue
Hartland, Wisconsin 53029
414-367-2141

Richard M. Rosenbaum - New York - State Chairman
315 State Street
Albany, New York 12210
518-462-2601

A. Gray Boylston - Florida - Broward County Chairman
325 Southeast Sixth
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301
305-522-6219

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 6, 1973

Handwritten signature

MEMORANDUM FOR: GEORGE BUSH
FROM: ~~DAVID PARKER~~

Would you please compile a check list of the President's political advisors (other than Congressional) that he will need to be in touch with periodically, either in meetings or by telephone. The purpose in such a listing is to insure that he has, as much as possible, equal contact with all of the key people that he needs to touch base periodically with, and that it's not just the squeaky wheel that gets the attention.

If you have any questions in this regard, please call.

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John Rollins

GB
RB's & Tom's
suggestions
attached

Top RNC
people

George Hinman

TO: Chairman Bush

FROM: Eleanor

RE: AB's suggestions for political contacts for President

Ray Bliss - RNC Ohio

George Hinman - RNC New York

Tommy Thomas - ST. Ch. - Florida

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Huck Boyd - RNC Kansas

Thruston Morton - Former RNC Ch, Kentucky

William Scranton - Former Gov, Pa.

Richard Berkley - St Ch, Missouri

Ed Janeway - Former RNC Vermont

Ody Fish - RNC Wisconsin

Harry Rosenzweig - St Ch, Arizona

Mrs. Clare Shanks - Former Asst. Ch., Florida

Clark Reed - St Ch, Mississippi

Meade Alcorn - Former RNC Ch, Conn.

George Champion, Jr. - Finance, Fla.

Jack Porter - Former RNC Texas

Elly Peterson - Former Asst Ch, Michigan

Bill McLaughlin - St. Ch, Michigan

David Little - St. Sen., RNC Idaho

Jerry Milbank - Former Fin. Ch, RNC, NY

Bob Ray - Governor, Iowa

Bob Stuart and father - RNC and Finance Comm, Ill.

Drake Eden - Former St Ch, RNC, South Carolina

Wm. Miller - Former N RNC Ch, V-P Candidate 1964, NY

Harry Darby - Former RNC, Kansas

Edwin Schenck - Suffolk County Ch, NY, an d #1 for Pres. in '68

Bob Hughes - ~~W~~ Ohio, ~~Q~~ Cuyahoga Cty Ch.

The following are my interpretations of AB Hermann's handwriting - will confirm them with him tomorrow - they may be nothing like the real names!

G. Bloom - Former St, Ch, Pa.

~~Ch~~ Chuck Sodustrom, LA Former Cty Ch

Alfred Driscoll, Former ?

Bailie Vinson - Okla - ~~Big~~ big oil, former RNC

Courtney Burton - Former RNC Fin Ch, Ohio

Ed Meecham - N. Mex, Former Gov

Bob Forsythe - Minn, Former St. Ch.

Les Gehes - Calif., San Diego Cty Ch.

March 8, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Chairman Bush

FROM:

Tom Lias

RE:

Suggested Political Contacts

1. Leonard Hall
2. Meade Alcorn
3. Dean Burch
4. Bill Miller
5. Former Congressman John Burns
6. Pat Hutar
7. Former Congressman Jim Battin
8. Former Congressman Charles Hoeven
9. Mr. Charles McCorder
10. Mr. Arthur Fletcher
11. Rita Hauser
12. John Marchi
13. John Haugh - Member for Arizona
14. Ab Hermann
15. Dick Herman
16. Steve Hess
17. Pat Hillings
18. Mrs. Elsie Hillman

Suggested Political Contacts

March 8, 1973

19. Howard Jenkins - (NLRB)
20. Paul Fino - N.Y.
21. Al Gordon, Sr.
22. Henry Cabot Lodge
23. Brad Morse

March 15, 1973

MEMORANDUM

To: David Parker

From: George Bush

A reminder. We are being pressed by Governor Meskill and Congressman duPont for commitments by the President on fund raisers.

I would like to discuss with him 1.) the Fall Dinner, which I strongly urge that he attend and 2.) his participation or non-participation in other fund raising events.

GB:jj

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March 14, 1973

MEMO TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: GEORGE BUSH

Mr. President, Bob Wilson was interested that you see this personally.

At a meeting to be held tonight, he is announcing that he is resigning and the election for his successor will be held in about a week. Bob Michel is favored to win still.

Brown has told Michel that if Michel wins, Brown will not serve as Candidate Recruitment Chairman.

Should Michel win, I will get with Michel and Brown immediately to see if Brown will change his mind.

A warm personal reply to Bob Wilson or a phone call to Wilson would be very much in order.

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NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

412 CONGRESSIONAL HOTEL,
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003,
TELEPHONE (202) LINCOLN 4-3010

Chairman
Bob Wilson, M.C., California

Executive
Director

John T. Calkins

March 14, 1973

Dear Mr. President:

Since you are not only our President and Commander in Chief, but also the leader of the Republican Party, I am writing to inform you that I am resigning as Chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, effective March 30, 1973. My resignation will be submitted at the meeting of the full Congressional Committee this evening.

It has been my privilege to serve in this position for nearly twelve years, much longer than anyone in history. These have been eventful years, of course, and I am proud to have worked closely with you during this period.

During those twelve years I have worked with four outstanding Executive Directors, Edward F. Terrar, Jack Mills, I. Lee Potter, and Jack Calkins. We raised over 28 million dollars most of which went for candidates' support. With our recent victory in Alaska, we have elected 211 new Republican Congressmen in that time.

Throughout most of my twenty years in Congress, I have benefitted from your political experience and expertise, and I thank you sincerely for your generous assistance.

The highlights I recall are numerous and I will try to briefly recount them:

My first work with you was in your campaign for the Senate in 1950, when I was also campaign manager for Les Gehres when he ran for Congress in San Diego.

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Vice Chairmen

William S. Broomfield, M.C., Michigan
Donald G. Brozman, M.C., Colorado
Silvio O. Conte, M.C., Massachusetts
Carleton J. King, M.C., New York

William E. Minshall, M.C., Ohio
Herman T. Schneebeli, M.C., Pennsylvania
William L. Springer, M.C., Ill. (Finance)
William B. Widnall, M.C., New Jersey

Secretary

Glenn R. Davis, M.C., Wisconsin

Treasurer

George Olmsted, Virginia

Executive Committee

Benjamin B. Blackburn, M.C., Georgia
J. Herbert Burke, M.C., Florida
Del Clawson, M.C., California
James M. Collins, M.C., Texas

Dan Kuykendall, M.C., Tennessee
Wilmer Mizell, M.C., North Carolina
Thomas M. Pelly, M.C., Washington
Sam Steiger, M.C., Arizona

Charles Thone, M.C., Nebraska

Auditing Committee Chairman

John Dellenback, M.C., Oregon

2 - The Honorable Richard M. Nixon - March 14, 1973

Then I had the privilege of being a fellow candidate running for Congress with General Eisenhower and you heading the ticket in 1952. Those coattails were beautiful.

In 1955, at your request, I headed up the five man "Congressional Chautauqua" team which toured California for the Republican Party.

In 1956, I served as your Campaign Coordinator, running your Vice-Presidential campaign from the National Committee. Later that year I was invited to accompany you and then Deputy Attorney General, William Rogers, on a memorable trip to Austria and Germany on behalf of the victims of the Budapest uprising.

In 1958, at your request, I went to Alaska to assist in the first election after Statehood.

In 1960, I was privileged to serve under Jim Bassett as your Campaign Schedule Director, working with such able Advancemen as Bob Haldeman, John Ehrlichman, John Warner, John Whitaker, and many others.

In May 1961, I was elected Chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee.

In 1964 you agreed to become Honorary National Chairman of the Republican Congressional Boosters Club, a new fund-raising organization I originated that year. Our first real effort for the Boosters Club began in 1965, and you helped us raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for our Congressional candidates.

1966 was a really good year for us. You will recall that we set up the Congressional Speakers Committee, raising \$36,000, which paid the traveling expenses of noted speakers such as yourself. That year you spoke for 61 Congressional candidates, of whom 47 were elected or reelected. Your cooperation that year proved to be a bonanza for the Party.

Each of the years 1964, 1966, and 1968 found you keynoting our bi-annual Republican Congressional Campaign Schools.

3 - The Honorable Richard M. Nixon - March 14, 1973

Since your successful campaign of 1968 you continued to show great interest in our candidates and I, for one, appreciate the many hours you have devoted to counseling and having your picture taken with our candidates and incumbents.

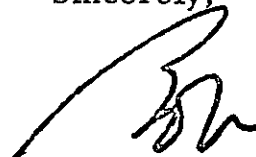
While we were never able to elect the magic number of 218 Republican Congressmen, we have patiently built our strength in the House under the able leadership of Jerry Ford. We were fortunate, of course, to pick up 13 seats last November, at the same time the Party lost Governors, Senators, and State Legislators. The recent victory of Representative Don Young brought our elected total for this year to 193, the highest number of Republicans we have reached in fifteen years.

But that's not enough to organize the House. I am confident this can be done only with an all-out effort by the White House, the National Committee, and our two Hill Committees.

Your choice of George Bush was a real coup. I know that he and my successor and our fine nucleus of talented young Congressmen will go forward with a united, enthusiastic, well-financed fight to shake loose the Democrat stranglehold on Capitol Hill.

I look forward to working with you and the Republican Party in the years ahead. You deserve full support for the outstanding leadership you have brought our country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'BW' or 'Wilson', written in a cursive, stylized manner.

Bob Wilson, M. C.
Chairman

The Honorable Richard M. Nixon
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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March 8, 1973

Information Only

FOR: THE PRESIDENT
VIA: H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: GEORGE BUSH
RE: Pennsylvania Teeter Sample

The base - 800 telephone interviews

A. President Nixon
Job Approval 70%
Disapproval 20%
No Opinion 10%

Last year's range was 52% - 60% approval

B. Senators Schweiker and Scott
(Actual figures not given to me)

Name Identity	Scott very high Schweiker not as high - but good
Approval	Schweiker much better than Scott
Disapproval	Schweiker practically nil Scott higher, but not bad

C. Governor

Rizzo - 81% statewide identification

57% - Replied they want a new governor

Polling with no party label shows:

Rizzo	37%
Shapp	36%

Their support breaks down as follows:

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	<u>Republican</u> <u>Voters</u>	<u>Democratic</u> <u>Voters</u>
Rizzo	49%	22%
Shapp	24%	52%

In a Democratic primary, Rizzo would have problems.

March 8, 1973

Information Only

FOR: THE PRESIDENT
VIA: H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: GEORGE BUSH
SUBJECT: Recent Cambridge Opinion Studies Data

Using highly complex computer technologies, a broad sample, and personal interviews (45 minutes minimum), Cambridge had been trying to find out what element has the largest single influence on influencing support for or away from any candidate.

The element that heads all others is Home Ownership.

A man's views on things are all changed once he is a homeowner. (Busing, environment, taxes, police - all relate to homeownership.)

Use of this Data

If a candidate needs a coalition crossing party lines or liberal vs. conservative views - he should look to homeownership.

For example: In Queens, homeowners in little "row houses" had a different viewpoint on many issues from the renter next door in an identical house.

"Homeownership" cuts across race, across rural-urban, across party, across economic lines.

I asked Tully Plessner for examples of other such elements. He cited as a poor second, "Household with teenage children." This is a strong element crossing party, etc., but not close to homeownership.

Miscellaneous

This firm has done some New York Polling:

On job approval:	Javits	76%
	Buckley	49%

Even in Westchester, Javits is very high -- Buckley stays at 49%.

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In Connecticut - Weicker has much higher favorables than Buckley down in N. Y. The pollster feels this is because Buckley has not latched onto an issue or issues in the public's mind.

NO ACTION REQUIRED

March 8, 1973

TO: The President

FROM: George Bush

I thought you might like to see the
underlined part of Congressman Wydler's
letter.

Enclosure

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March 7, 1973

The Honorable John W. Wydler, M.C.
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear John:

Thanks for your good letter of March 2.

I want to assure you that all the efforts of the RNC toward the '74 elections will rest on the closest possible coordination and cooperation with both the Congressional and Senatorial Committees. Our goal is to utilize the resources of all these organs to the fullest, eliminate duplication, and hopefully in the process strengthen the overall effort rather than go our separate ways.

I'm looking forward to visiting Nassau County, and I'll ask my press secretary to be in touch with you about the transportation arrangements.

Warm regards.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

cc: Pete Roussel

GB/eo

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

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March 2, 1973

Honorable George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street Southeast
Washington, D. C. 20003

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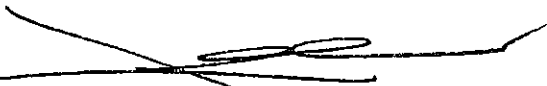
It was good seeing you the other night at the club. Quite frankly I've always found the National Committee to be most helpful but have never thought of it as being responsible for the election of Republican congressmen. It was always my understanding that this was the job of the Congressional Campaign Committee, and I think if anything is done, it should be to end any duplication of efforts between the various committees and to make that clear to the members. I will be less than honest if I said that I think the defeat of various Republican congressmen in the last election was due to anything but their own fault. My own judgment is that President Nixon provided a tremendous advantage to all Republican candidates by running strong for the presidency. I'm afraid too many Republicans fell asleep and have no one really to blame but themselves. As we know, however, people rarely do that.

I'm glad you're coming up to Nassau for our dinner, and I think it would be a great idea if we traveled up for that dinner together.

I hope to see you again soon.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,



John W. Wydler
Member of Congress

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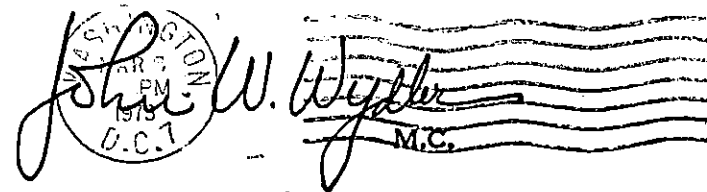
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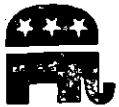
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George Bush, Chairman

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FOR: President Richard Nixon

SUBJECT: New York Mayor's Race

FROM: George Bush

DATE: March 9, 1973

Governor Rockefeller called Ken Cole and reported to him that he had talked to Javits. Javits was ecstatic about "staying in the Senate" as opposed to running for Mayor. He indicated that when Rockefeller told him that you and he agreed on this, Javits said, "The President has made my day, in fact he's made my whole year." Apparently the Governor committed you to a meeting with Javits, and Javits reports he's ready for a meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED: Do you want me to work with David Parker to set up the meeting for Senator Javits?

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

GEORGE BUSH:

With Tom's permission, I re-wrote your paper, incorporating the recent Lindsay announcement and using the established briefing paper format.

I hope the revision meets with your approval--because by the time you read it, it will be on the President's desk.

Thank you.


DAVE HOOPES

3-7-73: 1:05 p.m.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH
GOVERNOR NELSON ROCKEFELLER

Wednesday, March 7, 1973
3:00 p.m. (15 minutes)
The EOB Office

From: George Bush

I. PURPOSE

To talk New York City mayoralty politics.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

- A. Background: Lindsay announced this morning that he would not seek re-election. Recently, Rockefeller has been thinking of a fusion ticket to "stop Lindsay". While Lindsay plans to remain a force in state and local politics, Rockefeller's strategy may change.

Until the Lindsay announcement, Dick Rosenbaum, State GOP Chairman, did not feel any Republican could win New York mayor's race this year, even with Demos divided. In a recent poll of 15 contenders, Lindsay finished last with 4.6 per cent.

Story further complicated by the race for New York Chief Judge. Although a heretofore non-partisan contest, Republicans have attractive candidate: Judge Breitel, and his name on ballot could strengthen other GOP candidates.

Bess Myerson rumored as a Demo candidate. Demos might settle on Abraham Beam officially, and this would leave Wagner attractive for fusion backing. Rockefeller has not passed the word to five GOP New York county chairmen, and they won't move until he does. Rockefeller

feels Wagner is on the verge of running again and polls show him very strong.

B. Participants: Governor Nelson Rockefeller
and George Bush

C. Press Plan: Ollie Atkins photo, Meeting to be announced.

III. POINTS OF DISCUSSION

1. Rockefeller may possibly suggest:
 - That the GOP encourage Wagner to win the Democratic endorsement.
 - Do what we could politically to help him get the Liberal line endorsement, and
 - Not run a Republican against him.
2. In summary, right now the mayor's race is in confusion. Many are jockeying for position.
3. Additional background attached at Tab A.

1973 NEW YORK CITY MAYOR'S RACE: Adding significant interest to the overall New York state political picture is the fact that the New York City mayoralty, as well as other important city posts, is up in 1973. Incumbent Democrat JOHN LINDSAY has now served two four-year terms but has not yet announced whether he will step down or not. First elected in 1965 as a Republican, Lindsay, although not popular, was re-elected on the Liberal ticket in 1969. At that time, Staten Island Republican/Conservative State Senator JOHN MARCHI, who defeated Lindsay in the GOP primary, and then-City Controller MARIO PROCACCINO, a generally conservative Democrat, split the anti-Lindsay vote, and Lindsay won with approximately 40% of the vote.

An additional new wrinkle in the Mayoral picture was added when the State Legislature, with NELSON ROCKEFELLER's blessing, approved a bill providing for a run-off primary on June 26 if neither the Republican nor Democrat candidates receive at least 40% of the vote in their respective (June 4) primaries. At least partially responsible for this action, aside from general dislike for Lindsay in many Republican and Democrat quarters, is the fact that Procaccino won the 1969 Democrat primary with 32.8% of the vote over a crowded field that included former Democrat Mayor BOB WAGNER. Additionally, the Democrat field this year stacks up to be a big one, and Rockefeller is also known to be highly favorable to fielding a fusion (Republican/Democrat) candidate in the event that Lindsay runs again. Rockefeller, friendly with the Democrat leaders in Brooklyn and the Bronx, may yet bring this about. (Also, Queens Democrat leader MATTHEW TROY, the most liberal of the city's five borough leaders, is by no means friendly with Lindsay, and did not actively back Lindsay's abortive Presidential bid in 1972.)

On the Republican side, the big question mark is whether John Marchi will decide to run again. Also mentioned is Manhattan State Senator ROY GOODMAN, a Jewish liberal; as well as Bronx Republican leader JOHN CALANDRA, also a State Senator. As stated, the Democrat field is a crowded one, and Lindsay's wisest course, should he decide to run again, would be to avoid the Democrat primary and run again on the Liberal ticket with the expected blessing of Liberal boss ALEX ROSE. Announced at this time is Bronx/Queens Congressman MARIO BIAGGI, a generally (law & order) conservative, highly-decorated ex-police lieutenant. Expected to give Biaggi a significant challenge, among others, is Bronx Congressman HERMAN BADILLO, a liberal of Puerto Rican extraction. Also known to be strongly interested in making the Democrat race are city controller ABE BEAME, the unsuccessful Democrat Mayoral candidate in 1965; city council president SANFORD GARELIK, a former police chief inspector; city Environmental Protection Administrator JEROME KRETCHMER; and Manhattan Assemblyman ALBERT BLUMENTHAL.

Of note, the liberal Democrat ranks will likely thin down to one candidate on March 3 when the liberal New Democratic Coalition is scheduled to make an endorsement. All of the above mentioned Democrats are interested in this nomination except Biaggi and Beame.

March 7, 1973

TO: The President

FROM: George Bush

SUBJECT: Meeting with Governor Rockefeller
3 p.m., Wednesday, March 7

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The situation is very complex. Most recently Rockefeller has been thinking of a fusion ticket - one designed with one goal in mind: "stop Lindsay!"

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The story is further complicated by the race for chief judge in New York. In what has heretofore been a non-partisan contest the Republicans have a very attractive candidate in Judge Breitel. Breitel's being on the ballot could prove to be a strong inducement for Republicans to vote not just for him but for other Republicans.

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To President

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FOR: The President

FROM: George Bush

VIA: H.R. Haldeman

RE: Blacks at White House

POLITICS: I recognize that getting black vote is tremendously difficult - at times the hunt seems fruitless; however, I think for your last four years a strong black presence of stature is very important. It's like playing defense, but we need a good defense, too.

THESIS: This Administration can never out-promise the liberals -- even if we did, we'd come in second. I am convinced that by a real emphasis on one theme we can appeal to the black vote -- and you, as President, can activate more black support. That theme is jobs. The black college man wants to know he can indeed freely compete when he gets out of school or college. The thesis of a strong economy with its "more jobs" will ring true to blacks if properly handled.

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What then is needed?

1. Someone blacks of stature respect.
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3. A man who can go to the field as an advocate for the President.
4. An "inner city" specialist who would deal with schools, jobs, youth programs, city governments - in so doing he'd be dealing with blacks.
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The position of the Nixon Administration on this aspect would be:

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FOR: The President

THROUGH: H.R. Haldeman

FROM: George Bush

SUBJECT: RNC - Internal Matters

1. GENERAL

Eliminate Lincoln - eliminate phone in car - eliminate full-time driver - eliminate liquor from premises (with personal reluctance because after some of the backbiting, hand-holding days, I could use a swallow).

Chairman travel tourist when on commercial airlines - personal staff first to work, last to leave.

These steps should begin to set the pattern for "work ethic."

2. WHITE HOUSE

White House cooperation (particularly Bush accessibility, plus patronage, scheduling, heritage, budgeting cooperation) is helping immensely.

3. FINANCIAL

There has not been a full audit in many years - one has been ordered. There was no balance sheet - no statement of what we owe, when we owe it, what bills were outstanding, etc. We are putting the money raising and money spending ends of the RNC under a central department. Pat Wilson, Chairman of Republican National Finance Committee, will report directly to me on this. We have installed a young CPA to control expenditures, budgets, etc.

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The financial position is not critical. We have some money in the bank and should raise enough through customary sources to operate in the black during the off year. I would like to save some in '73 for the "New Majority" push in '74.

It is essential that the existing CRP balances remain intact until you approve an overall plan. Maury Stans agrees totally. There is no rush on this.

4. MORALE AT RNC

I'm not yet satisfied. Too many leaks, a manifestation of malaise.

5. ADMINISTRATION

We are in the process of changing personnel.

A. Patronage - expanding, working closely with Jerry Jones operation.

B. Communications - Mike Baroody is acting head, but is leaving to work with Dole.

C. Administration - Rose Zamaria will head it. She is ex-head of my Congressional office - tough, able, 20 years on Hill, Italian. She will run it.

D. Heritage - Rep. Ed Derwinski is heading a little task force to recommend expanded effort. Lanzo Pasztor, head of heritage end, has been told to relocate. He's wriggling, but leaving. New black set-up will be required, but I have not had time to move that yet.

E. Political - not completely satisfied yet.

F. Campaign '74 - Ken Rietz has come on board. For two months he will work on a master "New Majority" plan including budget. After that, with proposed leadership change in Congressional Campaign Committee, I'm confident we can have a well coordinated, non-overlapping, central campaign using resources of House and Senate Committees and RNC.

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6. OLD-TIMERS

AB Hermann remains, but as every chairman told me, he should. Given the make-up of the RNC, given the essentially useless but constituted roles of the membership on the Committee, AB is almost essential to keep the Committee people happy. It's not the world's most productive role, but it's an indispensable role, given the way the Committee is constituted.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

Main contact in event chairman is not there - Tom Lias. He has my total confidence.

Travel - phasing it down - way down, now that "Lincoln Days" are over.

TO: President Richard Nixon

RE: Proposed Closed Circuit Fall
Fund-Raising Dinner

FROM: George Bush

DATE: March 1, 1973

It has been proposed, and generally agreed that a national closed circuit fund-raising dinner be held in late October or early November. Although it has not been specifically determined, the net proceeds of the dinners would be divided equally between state GOP organizations and the national organizations. Thus, although there would be a 50-50 division of funds between the individual state and the national organizations, there could be additional divisions of funds at either level, i.e., cities and counties could share in the states' shares, and the national share could be divided between the three national level campaign co-mittees.

To date, the general thought has been for the RNFC to provide the central direction and leadership for the effort. The same organizational approach was successful in 1971 through the "Salute to the President" dinners.

The key to success of an endeavor as suggested above is early and detailed preparation. But, even the development of tentative plan development is premature until we have assurance that:

The President will participate

A mutually agreeable date can be established at an early date

The White House will back our effort 100 percent

It is also important in launching a national endeavor of this nature to have the full-fledged support of the political leadership in California and New York.

We would strive for up to 75 dinners across the country. In recent years, our income has been going up, but we have been reaching fewer cities.

A dinner effort well done would benefit the party in many ways. The following areas are some of the most important:

- it would be a major focal point to get across to party the concept of "New Majority Campaign - '74"
- it would be a vehicle for the RNC to provide a service to the participating states.
- if the per plate cost is varied (\$1,000, \$500, \$250, and possibly even \$100) many additional cities could be reached; thus, some states that have only heard of closed circuit TV programs could get a piece of the action.
- it would force some of the states to do "something", i.e., "say yes or no", and once they agree to do it, we can push them to the wall. Without this, many states will just not set their fund-raising sights high enough.
- it would provide the states with much needed cash well in advance of the campaigns next year.
- a cooperative dinner program could build a new bridge of mutual trust and support between the RNC and the individual state committees.
- it may well be the only opportunity we will have to assure that the Congressional and Senatorial Committees operate in the black in 1973.
- it may be that the dinner will be necessary to assure that the Republican National Committee operates in the black in 1973.

Attachment

TO: Dave Parker

SUBJECT: Appointment or Phone Call
with the President

FROM: George Bush

I need ten minutes with the President - phone or office - to discuss:

1. His general views on participating in fund raising and other events (specifically we'll need for him to focus on whether he'll participate in a big closed circuit Fall dinner - see attached memorandum)
2. His views on Illinois senate race (see attached memorandum)

THE HISTORY OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AND CLOSED CIRCUIT
TELEVISION FUND-RAISING DINNERS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>CITIES</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>APPROXIMATE INCOME</u>
1956	52	60,000	\$6,000,000 (Gross)
1960	81		7,000,000 (Gross)
1960	40	50,000	5,500,000 (Gross)
1962	19		2,500,000 (Gross)
1964	21		
1968	23		4,200,000 (Net)
1971	20	10,000	5,200,000 (Gross)
1972	27	9,000	7,000,000 (Net)

TO: President Richard Nixon

RE: Illinois Senate Race

FROM: George Bush

DATE: March 1, 1973

John Anderson wants to run for the United States Senate. He asked frankly if you had made any commitments to Rumsfeld.

I am in a position to talk confidentially with John on this. He told me he doesn't want to "buck the White House".

ACTION REQUESTED - confidential word from you as to position to take with Anderson

TO: President Richard Nixon

DATE: March 1, 1973

FROM: George Bush

RE: Reception at White House

I have heard many fine comments from congressmen about the White House reception last week. The reaction was "just great"; "a gesture like this really counts"; "I think I'm sophisticated but the whole thing mattered."

cc: William Timmons

Action

February 27, 1973

TO: Dave Parker

FROM: George Bush

Janet Johnston, Co-Chairman of the Republican National Committee, will arrive here Saturday. She will be staying at the Statler-Hilton. She will be in the office Monday for the first working day.

ACTION REQUEST: Telephone call from the President to welcome Janet on board or a drop-in visit at the White House. I would bring Janet down to introduce her to the President, either at the E.O.B. office or the Oval Office. Either of these would give her arrival the appropriate attention and send-off.

February 26, 1973

Action

MEMORANDUM

FOR: The President
THROUGH: David Parker
FROM: George Bush

Representative Barbara Jordan has as her constituent, George Foreman, new heavyweight champion.

Foreman through Barbara requested to see you before he goes to Europe in mid-March.

Foreman is 24. He speaks glowingly of America. In Representative Jordan's presence last week he addressed a group of young Black kids telling them, "It's great to be an American; you can make it here", etc.

I have known Barbara Jordan a long time. The Caucus may take her over, but it won't be easy. She has always been reasonable. (She was elected President pro-tem by the not-so-liberal all-white Texas State Senate).

Barbara has very secretly offered to consult me on a non-attributable basis about Black attitudes, Black problems, etc. She'll undoubtedly fight us on programs, but she won't use this channel to embarrass me. She conceivably could help in getting southern liberals to vote for Republicans instead of conservative Democrats.

Action Requested

I strongly recommend that you meet briefly with "Champ" Foreman permitting Barbara Jordan as his Congresswoman to come with him.

I could bring them in if you want, but that would not be mandatory.

The best date for Foreman would be March 8, if that is possible.

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February 26, 1973

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dick Howard
FROM: George Bush

I talked to Dick Rosenbaum, the State Chairman of New York, who discussed the "Procaccino matter" with Governor Rockefeller. The New York State Republicans would be interested in Procaccino's running as a Republican, but not for Mayor.

I would suggest that you contact Procaccino and ask him to quietly contact Dick Rosenbaum. Rosenbaum will treat the matter with extreme confidence and will in no way embarrass Procaccino. Rosenbaum has in mind an important Counsel slot.

February 26, 1973

MEMORANDUM

FOR: The President
FROM: George Bush
SUBJECT: New Jersey Governor's Race

Governor Cahill still wants to see you. I told Dave Parker we should hold up on this right now.

Representative Sandman, who has formally announced, is coming to quietly see me this week.

Governor Cahill sent Nelson Gross to tell me that Sandman's charges about corruption are not true, are derisive, and are hurting.

Gross wanted to have us find a way to remove Stern, the U. S. Attorney, a Gase man, who is "stirring things up." I told Gross this would not be possible at this time.

I suggested to Dave Parker that perhaps a good picture with Cahill when he comes to the White House with all the Governors could suffice.

Nelson Gross himself told Cahill that with Sandman in the race the White House would have to be very careful about appearing to intervene.

I will talk to Sandman, to our state leaders, and will keep you informed.

No action requested.

JB/hc

February 26, 1973

MEMORANDUM

FOR: The President
FROM: George Bush
SUBJECT: Virginia Governor's Race

The Mills Godwin scenario appears on track. The attached memo is accurate.

I have personally met with:

Senator Harry Byrd
Fitzgerald Bemiss (CRP Virginia Chairman)
Stets Coleman
State Chairman Dick Obenshain

All four agree with the scenario.

Holton is not expected to cause difficulty on this.

Att.

GB/hc

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Republican
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Committee.

February 22, 1973

MEMORANDUM TO:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

GEORGE BUSH

ED DeBOLT AND
JIM GALBRAITH

REPORT ON MEETING WITH
STATE CHAIRMAN DICK OBENSHAIN
REGARDING FORMER GOVERNOR
GODWIN'S CANDIDACY

According to Obenshain, Godwin will announce next week that he would like the Republican Party to nominate him at its convention (June 8-9) and that he would be pleased to accept the nomination.

Godwin has agreed not to campaign for any Democrats and to run with the slate nominated for the other two state-wide offices, and, according to Obenshain, currently has the support of the Governor, the state's seven Congressmen and most other Party leaders for this stance.

Obenshain himself is the odds-on favorite for Lt. Governor if he wants it.

Obenshain, Godwin and the seven Republican Congressmen met at the Capitol, February 21. They will write a letter to Godwin inviting him to join the GOP. Godwin, at a press conference next week, will say something to the effect, "I would accept the nomination of the Republican Party".

When pressed by reporters as to whether or not he is a Republican, Godwin--Obenshain expects--will say something like this: "It's pretty obvious that I would be a Republican at that time". Obenshain concedes that he is not certain as to the exact response Godwin will make.

Obenshain expects the press conference will be a heated one and a critical one as it marks the next key phase in the state chairman's months-long program to woo Godwin to the Republican ticket.

/ljv

cc: Tom Lias

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ACTION

February 22, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

GEORGE BUSH

Through the Congressional Campaign Committee, Robert E. Lee, candidate for Congress from the 2nd district in Louisiana requested a meeting with you in connection with his upcoming special election (Boggs' seat) to be held March 20th.

Representative Dave Treen and Representative Wilson were not willing to recommend it. I assured the Congressional Campaign Committee such a meeting was not possible. Lee has two chances---slim and none.

The attached letter would be helpful to Lee and to Republicans who will wonder whether the President will support all Republicans.

Unless you have overriding personal considerations, I would recommend such a letter.

KP - did not keep copy of draft letter

ACTION

February 22, 1973

MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George Bush

Dan Kuykendall has "slightly" bruised feelings over the Congressional Campaign Committee chairmanship.

Dan gave a great all-out "support the President" speech in Kansas (press coverage attached).

I recommend the attached letter. It will help in the Congressional Campaign Committee issue.

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Dear Dan:

George Bush mentioned to me the excellent speech you gave in Kansas.

I appreciate that all-out support on the budget questions.

I realize some of the "no's" are "painful," but as you clearly perceived, higher taxes are even more painful.

Sincerely,

Lincoln Day Speaker

Rep. Kuykendall
Defends Nixon

By PHIL ATKISSON

The weather was fine for a change and the crowd was large for the 37th annual meeting of the Lincoln Day Club of the Fifth Congressional District held here Saturday and the Republic can faithful heard one of the best speeches ever presented at a political rally in the area.

The speaker at the evening banquet in the Civic Center was U.S. Rep. Dan Kuykendall of Memphis, Tenn., and he proceeded to deliver a hard-hitting defense of the policies of President Nixon spiced with some choice comments about his own philosophy.

"The one thing the American people are seeking in their leaders today is strength," he said. "They want leaders who will stand up and be counted when the going is rough."

"President Nixon has that kind of courage. And it's folks like you he's betting on."

Kuykendall dealt with both the

foreign and domestic fronts in his speech.

He said the problems of Vietnam showed "a lack of faith and a lack of courage." But, he added, "Nixon was able to bring about peace with honor from the most impossible mess any president ever inherited."

Regarding amnesty for those who fled to avoid war service, Kuykendall said, "I don't know of anyone who is not afraid to get shot. And if they won't come home to pay their debt then my conscience is clear."

Commenting on those who protest an "immoral war," the speaker declared, "There is no such thing as a moral war. War is a breakdown of all civilized discourse between human beings. The only thing worse than sliding into a war is getting into it and not getting it over with."

He commented on the presidency of Lyndon Johnson, saying it was a "great tragedy."

"There were so many grand ideas and so many failures."

When he came to the home front, Kuykendall really cut loose.

"Everyone has good causes and is asking for all the dollars. We are accused of being heartless for not giving them the money. But we must have the courage to look ahead."

He continued, "If we don't have a healthy economy we won't have the money to pay out. As the man said, 'You can't get a golden egg from a ruptured goose.'"

When he spoke of the Nixon plan to cut a number of Federal programs he admitted that everyone will be hurt in some way.

"But I'm going to vote to refuse to restore every single one of the cuts" recommended by the president, he said. "It will be a long line of painful 'nos' but it is necessary to prevent a tax increase."

"This runaway federal government has got to be stopped. We must stand behind the most

courageous president this country has ever known."

Turning to agriculture, Kuykendall said, "Our farmers have had handcuffs on them for three decades. They have the ability to feed the world and before this decade is over I expect to see our farms exports grow until they are a major part of our farm production."

He took a jab at the network commentators and the Washington Post, saying when their comments are noted, "You have to ask yourself every so often who won the election."

"I'll tell you — the American people won the election."

Rep. Joe Skubitz, the host Congressman from the Fifth District, introduced the speaker, recalling that he was the first Republican to be elected from Memphis.

Skubitz had one criticism of Nixon, however, when he claimed the president "let the palace guards in Washington put the skids" to Sen. Bob Dole, the past national GOP chairman.

Tony Immell of Iola was master of ceremonies for the event. There was a welcoming speech from Mayor Nelson Buckles and the invocation was given by the Rev. Bob McGuire of Independence.

Many members of the state legislature who were on hand were recognized and Skubitz also gave awards to counties in the district who gave particular aid to his re-election last November.

Among the dignitaries on hand were State Treasurer Tom Van Sickle and Secretary of State Elwill Shanahan.

The election of officers for the Lincoln Day Club was held during an afternoon business session at the Elks Club. Willis Olson of Chase County was moved up to the presidency, replacing Mrs. A. P. Caldwell of Butler County. The new president-elect is Robert Graves of Chautauqua County and the new vice president is Marcella Cable of Chautauqua County, succeeding Mrs. Francis Olson.

Ron Hastings was re-elected secretary and Robert Scovel was re-elected treasurer. Both are from Independence.

The 400 persons who attended the meeting came from the 24½ counties which make up the Fifth District. Included are the counties of Allen, Anderson, Bourbon, Butler, Chase, Chautauqua, Cherokee, Coffey, Cowley, Crawford, Elk, Greenwood, Harper, Labette, Linn, Lyon, Miami, Montgomery, Morris, Neosho, Osage, Sumner, Wilson, and Woodson and the south half of Sedgwick County.

MEMORANDUM

TO: President Richard Nixon

RE: Senator Curtis and
His Speech

THROUGH: H. R. Haldeman

FROM: George Bush

DATE: February 19, 1973

Bob conveyed to me your view that I should chat with Senator Curtis. I did this in his office on Friday, February 16. I started by telling him that you considered him one of your closest friends and that frankly you were concerned by the remarks attributed to him in the papers. I discussed at length the "new majority" and explained that in capturing the "new majority" for the first time you indeed had done exactly what he was talking about, namely appealing to the middle class. Curtis' speech is attached. I have marked a couple of key paragraphs. The gist of the Curtis argument is as follows. The President had no coat-tails and there was no "theme" that made the GOP attractive to the middle class.

He also feels there are times when the President wants something done and it is not done — all of this drifted away from his speech and got into some old relationships that were bothering him.

There is a particular incident that troubles him. Apparently he handed you a note a long time ago which he admitted was "not in accord with protocol". He later learned that the request in this note had your approval but nothing has happened on it. It relates to a Mr. Burkett Van Kirk, Minority Counsel on the Senate Rules Committee, being appointed to some consumer protection commission. He felt that you had agreed this appointment should take place and that then nothing had happened. I told him that this was a mere detail and that I would look into it.

Lastly Curtis feels that there was "no central Republican theme". He gives great personal credit to you on your magnificent victory, but he feels that the people around you did not develop a theme that helped the party. I of course

argued with him issue by issue. Curiously, some of it stems from the Van Kirk incident where he feels that you had agreed with him the appointment should take place and then it didn't happen. He seemed pleased that I went there. He is devoted and loyal to you. I think he understands the staff function better now. He agrees that Bob Haldeman was reflecting the views of the President but for some reason, and I don't know any more about it than the Van Kirk incident, he feels he has had some problems in the Ehrlichman shop.

To show you the kind of hang-up that Curtis was nursing, he told me he had once recommended that a Council of Rural America be established. He said that you had "bought the idea". The Council was indeed established but then it was obliterated by combining it with the Council on Domestic Affairs. All of this was fine but he maintains it would have been better to leave the name Rural Affairs in the title, calling it Council on Urban and Rural Affairs. He used this as an example to show that "yes" the President is responsive when people on rural affairs talk to him, but that once it goes beyond the President there is no political judgment used in making decisions. His feeling was that it would have been better politics to leave the Rural Affairs in the title.

ACTION TO BE CONSIDERED

1. I will follow up on seeing if Mr. Van Kirk qualifies for a commission and should go on a commission. (Curtis says 13 Republican senators are supporting him.)
2. You might want to send a letter along the lines of the attached draft.

DRAFT LETTER FOR THE PRESIDENT

Dear Carl:

George Bush told me that he had an excellent chat with you. First, let me express to you my strong appreciation for your generous and supportive comments about me. As you know I have long considered you a close friend.

Frankly I was troubled by the press accounts of your speech; but George has explained to me your thinking and he also sent me along a copy of your speech.

As you know, I did try in this campaign to attract a "New Majority" and I think you would agree that we were successful. In my view the "New Majority" and your "Middle Class America" are practically the same thing. I have instructed George Bush to concentrate on candidate recruitment and the building of a party so broad that indeed we can do away with this Democratic theme that we are the party of the rich and the privileged. I am hopeful that my own election will set a pattern in this regard.

I was pleased with the broad vote that we got not only from the "New Majority" in some of the urban areas but from the middle-class in rural America as well. You and I have talked about the need for keeping and strengthening our constituency in rural areas, and again I hope that the party can build on the results that both you and I achieved in our recent elections.

I appreciate your frank discussion with Chairman Bush.

Let me close by assuring you that I want to see our Republican Party be the majority in this country. I have told our National Chairman that I will do everything I can to assist towards this end.

Sincerely,

Richard M. Nixon

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

EYES ONLY

February 14, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR : HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH
FROM : H. R. HALDEMAN *H.*

The President suggested that it might be productive for you to have an appointment with Senator Curtis and sit down and chat with him about the remarks attributed to him at his Lincoln Day Speech.

He is reported to have said that the reason Republican candidates around the country lost in the 1972 elections was that the ad men around the President didn't understand middle America, and built their strategy without taking middle America into account.

The logic of this is almost unbelievable since, of course, the President did rather well in middle America, and the "ad men around the President" were responsible for implementation of the President's campaign, not the campaigns of the candidates for Congress and the Senate.

In any event, the President thought you should chat with Curtis, make the point that the President considers him one of his closest friends and was distressed by his remarks, and that the whole premise should be clarified since there is obviously some kind of a misconception or misunderstanding here.

He also thought you ought to talk with Brock and Brown on a very confidential basis, suggesting that a quiet, but careful analysis be made of some of the returning POWs as to their potentiality as Congressional candidates, especially in districts where they might run against known peaceniks.

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Miss Rose Mary Woods
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Rose:

Here are three that the President might well send. They'd all help me in this job. Each should help the President.

1. Fred Scribner - many years of service as General Counsel of party. Strong friendships with Governor Rockefeller, Senator Scott and many others on and off the RNC. This would be gracious and well appreciated by many who have not always been for the President.
2. Mayor Ralph Perk of Cleveland - He made a strong pitch to his Cabinet to support the President.
3. Nelson Rockefeller - a simple assurance that the RNC will not in '73 "tilt" towards or away from any '76 Presidential candidate. In a dinner meeting with me Rocky told me he had been told the Committee was "biased" against him. I told him if this had been the case in the past, it would not be the case now.

Let me know what's decided.

Best,

George Bush

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Mr. Fred C. Scribner, Jr.
One Monument Square
Portland, Maine 04111

Dear Fred:

George Bush told me of the very gracious way in which you stepped down as General Counsel of the Republican National Committee after your 14 years of service in that important post.

I want to congratulate you on those years of constructive and selfless leadership to our party.

In checking I find that no top official of the party in recent ~~times~~ has served for as many years in a top post as you did. This, to me, is clear evidence that you put the party first and that you managed to work constructively with a wide assortment of National Chairmen.

Please accept my sincere thanks for the great job you did for the party and for all Republicans.

I am pleased to know that you have told our new Chairman that you are willing to help him in the important job that lies ahead.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable
Ralph Perk
Mayor of Cleveland
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ralph:

When our new National Chairman returned from Cleveland he passed along to me his impressions about your work as Mayor of your great city. He particularly told me of meeting with your Cabinet and in essence seeing the New Majority in action.

I simply want to commend you on the way you have brought so many different heritage groups into positions of real importance in city government.

I also want to thank you for the words of support you gave to me in that meeting with your Cabinet. I appreciate particularly your support for my revenue sharing proposals and for my efforts to hold down taxes by holding the line on spending.

Sincerely,

PERSONAL

The Honorable
Nelson Rockefeller
Governor of New York
State Capitol
Albany, New York 12224

Dear Nelson:

George Bush told me about that supper you gave for him in New York. It was good of you to get your top people together to meet our new National Chairman. I wish all our states were as well organized for the Republican Party as New York is.

He also told me that confidence that you had expressed a private concern over reports that the National Committee had not always been impartial towards some of our Republican officials. I have told George that I want the National Committee to be totally fair and balanced in its view.

I just wanted you to have my personal assurance on this point.

Sincerely,

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FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George Bush

SUBJECT: Excess CRP Funds

Maury Stans went over the CRP balance picture with me.

I would like to see a substantial portion of the funds go toward building on the ~~new~~ majority to elect GOP candidates.

There are several ways this could be done:

1. A nationwide "New Majority" campaign (new majority in Congress) which would sell a GOP Congress. It could supplement individual state and district efforts. Dick Moore and Cliff Miller are going to advise me on the feasibility of this idea.
2. Some funds to the states (revenue sharing to help the state parties). This has less appeal because it doesn't seem to me to be keeping faith with the donors who gave to the President. The "New Majority" idea does keep the faith better, for one can argue that the thing that can help the President the most is a GOP majority.
3. A substantial amount for a new majority campaign.-- Select 70-80 target districts. Work up a coordinated effort under RNC but working closely with House-Senate Committees -- and begin now to identify the districts, recruit candidates,

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and help them win. I am talking to Ken Rietz about heading the campaign end. I am getting full cooperation from Senator Brock. The House side will not be totally on board until the leadership change takes place. Bud Brown is being cooperative, but he is walking a tightrope until he is elected.

I am meeting Tuesday with Rietz, Marik, and DeBolt to analyze the existing CRP data -- to try to determine a) what value it has for '74 b) how much it will cost to keep it up to date for '74.

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FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: George Bush

SUBJECT: Random political comments, following state visits

NEW YORK: Met with top N.Y. officials at Governor's N.Y.C. residence. I believe Governor Rockefeller wants to run for President in '76. He did not say so, however. His people all talk like he will run for Governor.

CALIFORNIA: Met with Reagan, Finch, Flournoy, Reinecke

The betting was that REagan would sit out '74, travel and speak extensively around the country.

Reinecke - a certainty to run for Governor.

Flournoy - would like to run for Governor, but by his own self-admission not sure what he will do.

Finch - Governor or Senator with most recent polls showing tréal heat with Reinecke, Flournoy, or Younger in a primary.

I appointed Janet Johnston of California to take Anne Armstrong's job as GOP Co-Chairman. She's 33 years old, single, successful as an inventor and as a farm manager. She's neither left nor right ideologically.

KANSAS: The question was who will Dole face. Some say Docking, some say Rep. Roy. Dole thinks it probably would be Docking. Most of the GOP types felt Dole could win it.

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OHIO: The Rhodes-Taft feud continues. Rhodes is trying to get clarification of a confusing statute to guarantee he can again run for Governor.

I met with Cleveland Mayor and party people. They are not sure whether Saxbe wants to run again. Rep. Keating, considered Taft's man, would like to make a statewide race.

ILLINOIS: The big race is the Senate race. Rep. Anderson would like to run. Most expect Rumsfeld will run. All agree that Scott, the Attorney General, would clearly make the best statewide race -- some went as far as to say he's the only one that could beat Adlai. He appears to want to wait four years for a shot at Governor.

The State Chairman of Illinois, Vic Smith, is old and out of it. If he can be put on the Canadian Border Commission, he'll resign. I will work on that.

NEW JERSEY: Though I did not visit New Jersey, I have talked to Governor Cahill. A Congressman Charles Sandman representative has been in to RNC to tell us Sandman will run in the primary against Cahill, citing more scandal against Cahill administration.

Cahill wants a visit with you. Cahill feels he is in much better shape than he was.

Consensus - cloudy!