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December 11, 1963

Dear Mr. Murphy:

Through the courtesy of the Honorable Charles Diggs, the President was informed of the resolution of support adopted by the 13th Congressional District Official Democratic Organization.

The President has asked me to express his gratitude to you and the other members of the Executive Board and to your membership for your kindness.

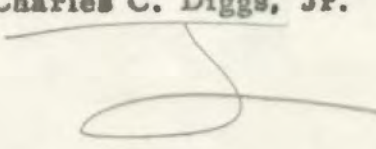
Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Raymond Murphy
Chairman
13th Congressional District Official
Democratic Organization
Suite 201, 8401 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

jl/az

cc: Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.



GENERAL

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December 31, 1963

Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your letter of December 16.

We understand that the groundwork for action in this situation is being laid right now, and we hope to see results soon.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

bc: L. O'Brien

re Harrel G. Tillman, Attorney
in Houston, Texas letter to Diggs
re the Houston Bar Assn. not
~~per~~ admitting him or any other
Negro lawyer to membership.

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January 31, 1964

Dear Congressman:

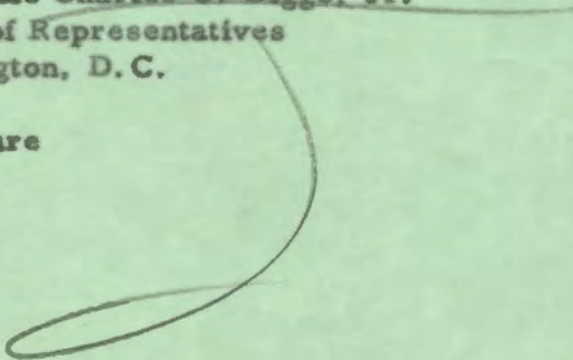
Enclosed is a book on economic development of the emerging nations. We felt you would like to have a copy. The volume contains a series of articles on one of the world's dominant problems, and the President feels that you too will be interested in this presentation of our country's role with respect to it.

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure



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GENERAL

PP5/Johnson, Lady Bird

February 7, 1964

Dear Congressman:

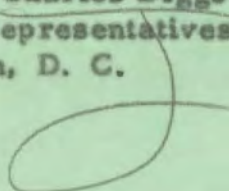
I have your letter of February 4 regarding the invitation extended the First Lady by the National Council of Negro Women to attend their annual Brotherhood Program on February 23.

I am referring your request for a copy of the reply to this invitation to Mrs. Bess Abell of Mrs. Johnson's staff and am sure that you will hear from her office within the next day or so.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles Diggs
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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February 12, 1964

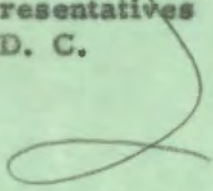
Dear Congressman:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter of February 10 suggesting that he worship with the congregation of the Bible Way Church at 1130 New Jersey Avenue, N.W. The President hopes to be able to attend the Bible Way Church and appreciates your thoughtfulness in offering this suggestion.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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February 12, 1964

Dear Congressman:

When Larry O'Brien received your letter of January 9 enclosing a resolution of the Cotillion Club of Detroit, Michigan, with regard to the Hill-Burton Hospital Construction Program, he referred it to me. I asked the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare to comment and have just received their views.

As you know, this Administration has been closely involved with the case of Simkins vs. Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital, and in fact, the United States is a plaintiff intervenor in the case. We are, of course, fully aware of its possible implications for the Hill-Burton Program and have followed the matter closely.

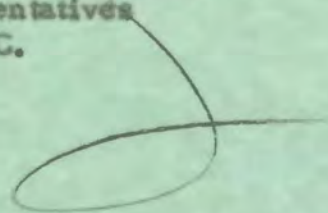
The defendants have filed a petition for writ of certiorari with the Supreme Court. For this reason, no final policy actions have been taken based upon the decision of the Court of Appeals. However, the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare has directed the Public Health Service not to process applications for assistance under the so-called "separate but equal" provisions of the Hill-Burton Act, on the assumption that the provision is unconstitutional until the Supreme Court's decision is available.

This Administration will continue to do whatever it can within its authority to assure that Hill-Burton aided hospitals are available without regard to race, creed or color.

Sincerely,

Lee C. White
Assistant Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



February 29, 1964

GENERAL

PR 20

Dear Congressman:

I have your letter of February 28 enclosing a copy of Mr. Roland C. Koehler's letter of February 14 regarding Mrs. Koehler's tour of the White House on February 12.

This correspondence is being sent to the Tour Office for comment, and you may expect a further reply from that office within the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
~~House of Representatives~~
Washington, D. C.

jl/az

March 4, 1964

Dear Congressman:

Your letter of February 28, 1964 to Mr. O'Brien, with the enclosed letter from Mr. Kochler, has been forwarded to my office for reply.

I am indeed sorry that Mrs. Kochler felt the special tour was not sufficiently long enough, but wish to advise that the time mentioned in his letter is the standard time that has always been given to these tours. The demand for this tour has increased to such a volume in the last three years that it would just not be possible to increase the time and still accommodate all the people concerned. I might, however, add that this length of time is most adequate to give a very enlightening and enjoyable tour for visitors, and of the thousands of people who have taken this particular tour each year, we have received no complaints, but rather compliments on how much they enjoyed it.

I would also like to add that this tour does include additional rooms that are not shown to the public, those being the Diplomatic Reception Room and the China Room.

I hope that this reply will enable you to advise Mr. Kochler in this matter, and with every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

John J. McHally, Jr.
Staff Assistant

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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March 24, 1964

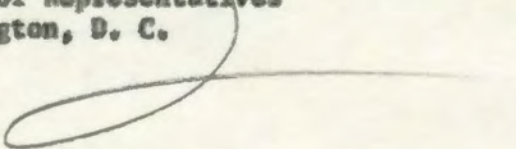
Dear Congressman:

This is among the first Kennedy half dollars to be issued by the Treasury. I felt that it would have a special significance to you and that you should have it.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Honorable Charles C. Diggs
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



April 2, 1964

Dear Specialist Hubbard:

This is in response to your letter addressed to the President concerning your reassignment from Saran, France, to Heidelberg, Germany.

At the request of the President, I asked the Department of the Army to make a special investigation of the allegations contained in your letter. The results of this investigation have, by this time, been reported to you as a result of your letters to certain members of Congress. A copy of Brigadier General F. W. Boye's letter to Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Jr. is attached.

I appreciate your concern in this matter and wish to assure you of our continuing interest in the well-being of every member of the armed forces.

Sincerely,

C. V. CLIFTON
Major General, U. S. Army
Military Aide to the President

SP4 Ethel P. Hubbard
Company B, Special Troops
USAREUR
APO 403, New York,
New York

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GENERAL

PR 6-1/2*

May 13, 1964

Dear Congressman:

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed photographs taken at the AAA Lifesaving Medal Awards Ceremony.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

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Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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June 13, 1964

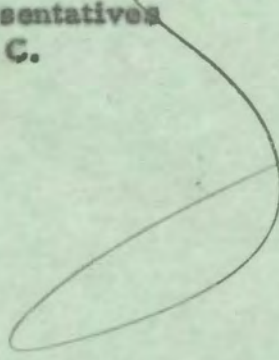
Dear Congressman:

In response to your request of June 11, I shall be glad to express the interest of the White House in obtaining an early decision on the A.R.A. Loan Application made by the developers of the "International Village" project.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.



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June 22, 1964

Dear Congressman:

Larry O'Brien has relayed to me your letter of June 17 reiterating your deep interest in the work of the President's Committee on Equal Opportunity in the Armed Forces.

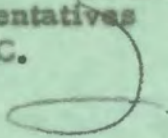
The President has received no reports from the Committee other than the formal one which was released by President Kennedy. I have been in touch informally with Mr. Gesell, the Committee Chairman, and he has advised that the group is presently working on a report to cover the overseas operations and the National Guard problem. I am not certain when that report will be forthcoming, but you may be assured that it will be available to you.

Your obvious concern in this matter is, of course, fully appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lee C. White
Associate Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



GENERAL

July 8, 1964

PR6-1/2*

Dear Congressman:

The President has asked me to send you the attached photographs taken when he signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosures: 1 of 522-2 (Rapp)

CJD/CJR/jam

August 8, 1964

Dear Congressman:

As per your request, I am pleased to send you one of the pens used at the signing of the Civil Rights Bill.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 1 pen.

CJD/CJR/bds

August 17, 1964

Dear Charlie:

Since we are sometimes apt to accept the help of our friends without comment, I would not want this Congress to end without saying a word about my very sincere appreciation for your part in putting over the Administration's legislative program.

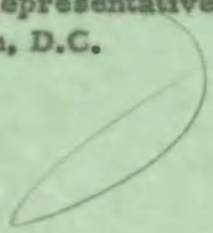
The truly remarkable record of the Congress will help to insure a Democratic victory in the fall. It could not have been written without the constant support of such dedicated and hard working members of the Democratic team as yourself. I know that the people of your District recognize your value and will send you back to Washington to continue the fine job you are doing for them and for the country.

With my deep personal appreciation and warmest regards for the future from me and my staff,

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.



GENERAL

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August 21, 1964

Dear Congressman:

This will acknowledge your telegram of August 20 to the President regarding the seating of the Mississippi delegation to the Democratic National Convention.

As you know, the Credentials Committee is scheduled to meet tomorrow to consider this matter. The President appreciated having your views on the merits of the claims of the rival delegations to be recognized.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable William F. Ryan
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

cc: Congressman Philip Burton
Congressman George E. Brown, Jr.
Congressman W. Donlon Edwards
Congressman Augustus F. Hawkins
Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
Congressman Spark M. Matsunaga

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Don Edwards

Augustine F. Hawkins

James Roosevelt

Lionel Van Deerlin

Philip Burton

George E. Brown, Jr.

Edward R. Royall

William J. Green

James A. Byrne

William F. Ryan

August 26, 1964

See attached list of addressees

Dear Congressman:

The President was, of course, pleased to receive your views on the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party and to know of your own support for free and open Democratic parties in each state. The recommendation of the Credentials Committee adopted by the Convention commits the Democratic Party through the National Committee to strive toward that goal.

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Lee C. White

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" James G. Ohara

Please address all as:

Honorable _____
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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FBI Agents at Philadelphia, on charges of depriving local Negro citizens of rights guaranteed them while acting under color of law; and

Eleven men have been arrested in the McComb, Mississippi, area in connection with a series of bombings of Negro homes. These arrests led to the seizure of a large quantity of explosives-type material, including dynamite, hand grenades, fire bombs, gunpowder, and bombs constructed of metal pipe and gunpowder, as well as two boxes of rifle ammunition.

The President met personally with members of the families of the three civil rights workers who were killed near Philadelphia last summer, and with three McComb women whose homes had been bombed. Additionally, he has instructed the Department of Justice to take immediate action in all civil rights matters, including voter registration cases, which are within the purview of the Federal Government.

Obviously the situation warrants continued close attention, and the specific recommendations contained in your letter have been brought to the attention of the Justice Department, the Civil Rights Commission, and the Community Relations Service for evaluation and appropriate action.

Your own deep personal interest in the matter is fully appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lee C. White
Associate Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

October 26, 1964

Dear Congressman:

The President has read with deep interest the letter in which you were joined by a number of other Congressmen in furnishing specific observations and suggestions with regard to action that the Federal Government might take in connection with the recent series of bombings in Mississippi.

I am sure you are aware of the continuing concern which the President has shown toward acts of terrorism and violence anywhere in the United States. Early last July, at the direction of the President, 50 additional FBI Agents were sent to Mississippi; and on July 10th, Director J. Edgar Hoover personally arrived in the capital city of Jackson to confer with state and local officials and to open a new FBI field office there.

The FBI and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice have given thorough, prompt attention to all civil rights matters involving possible violations of Federal laws in Mississippi, as in all other states. The President has personally remained abreast of all major developments in these cases, and he has noted with great interest the progress which has been made. For example since July, 1964:

A formidable roadblock in the investigation of the disappearance of the three civil rights workers was overcome when FBI Agents succeeded in locating the bodies of the three men near Philadelphia, Mississippi;

Three residents of Greenwood, Mississippi, have been arrested by the FBI on charges of conspiring to violate the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by allegedly beating a Negro who had attended a local theater;

Four local and county officers and a former Sheriff of Neshoba County have been indicted by the Federal Grand Jury at Biloxi, Mississippi, and placed under arrest by

CLH:EW

November 4, 1964

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Mrs. Johnson joins me in extending our warm congratulations to you. There is much work to be done and difficult days ahead. I am glad to have you on my side, and I look forward to working with you in the coming session.

Lyndon B. Johnson

HARTKE, Vance
HOLLAND, Spessard M.
BYRD, Harry F.
BYRD, Robert C.
MUSKIE, Edmund S.
PASTORE, John O.
HART, Philip A.
GORE, Albert
MONAGAN, John
DADDARIO, Emilio
SICKLES, Carlton R.
BENNETT, Charles E.
GLAIMO, Robert N.
McMILLAN, John L.
KORNEGAY, Horace R.
FASCELL, Dante
St ONGE, William L.
FRIEDUL, Samuel
ANDERSON, William R.
VANIK, Charles A.
GRABOWSKI, Bernard
PEPPER, Claude
BRADEMAS, John
DENTON, Winfield
PATTEN, Edward J.
LONG, Clarence D.
DANIELS, Dominick
RODINO, Peter
FULTON, Richard
MINISH, Joseph
GALLAGHER, Cornelius
JOELSON, Charles
ROUSH, J. Edward
KARSTEN, Frank M.
MacDONALD, Torbert
GREEN, William J.
ASHLEY, Thomas L.
DENT, John H.
TOLL, Herman
ROONEY, Fred B.
BYRNE, James A.
DOWNING, Thomas N.
BARRETT, William A.
DIGGS, Charles
DINGELL, John
NIX, Robert
MOORHEAD, William S.
KLUCZYNSKI, John
SULLIVAN, Leonor

HOLLAND, Elmer
NEDZI, Lucien
GRIFFITHS, Martha W.
YATES, Sidney R.

November 4, 1964

(to Members of the House of Representatives)

Congratulations. Your victory is well deserved. I am sure
your district and the nation will be the ultimate beneficiaries.

Lawrence F. O'Brien

Special Assistant to the President

(Congressmen, continued)

Hon. James A. Byrne
U.S. Congressman
U.S. Customs House Building
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

~~(Number 1 telegram)~~

Hon. John W. McCormack
Speaker, House of Representatives
Federal Building
Boston, Massachusetts

~~(Number 2 telegram)~~

Hon. Howard W. Smith
U.S. Congressman
Broad Run, Virginia

~~(Number 2 telegram)~~

Hon. Thomas N. Downing
U.S. Congressman
Citizens National Bank Building
Hampton, Virginia

~~(Number 1 telegram)~~

Hon. William A. Barrott
U.S. Congressman
2401 Wharton Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

~~(Number 1 telegram)~~

Hon. Charles Diggs
U.S. Congressman
8401 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

~~(Number 1 telegram)~~

Hon. John Dingell
U.S. Congressman
7310 Grand River Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

~~(Number 1 telegram)~~

Hon. Robert Nix
U.S. Congressman
~~2139 North 32nd Street~~
2139 North 32nd Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

~~(Number 1 telegram)~~

Hon. William S. Moorhead
U.S. Congressman
Federal Building
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

~~(Number 1 telegram)~~

Lawrence F. O'Brien / Message sent / D^{*}

December 2, 1964

Dear Congressman:

I would like to join your other friends
in congratulating you on your birthday.
May good health and good spirits be
yours today and in the years ahead.

With all best wishes for a very happy
birthday.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

December 2, 1964

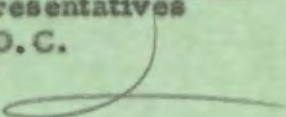
Dear Charlie:

I have learned with pleasure that you are celebrating your birthday today. I hope that the day brings you joy and satisfaction, and that it will be one of many happy days for you in the coming year.

With my heartiest congratulations and warm good wishes,

Sincerely,

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.



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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

REQUEST THAT AN INVESTIGATION BE MADE TO DETERMINE WHY CONGRESSMAN
CHARLES C ~~DIGGS~~ JR OF MICHIGAN HAS NOT ANSWERED MY LETTER OF
NOV 22, 1964

MARTIN L STEPHENS 2340 FORD DETROIT MICHIGAN.

January 30, 1965

EXHIBITIVE
FG 11-8-1 \B*

Dear Congressman:

I am pleased to advise you that David A. ^BBunn has joined our White House Congressional Liaison staff.

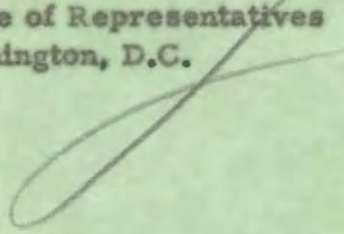
Dave is now here to assist you as a Liaison Representative and will be in direct contact with you shortly. Of course, Henry Wilson and my assistant, Claude Desautels, continue to be available to you and your office.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.



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February 12, 1965

Dear Congressman:

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It would appear therefore that the most effective procedure would be for those people in the Justice Department who are working on this matter to meet with you and those who joined with you in the telegram. In addition, the Vice President, because of his role in connection with last year's Civil Rights Bill and his assignment as coordinator of the Government's civil rights programs, will be involved in the preparation of any Administration proposals. The President has suggested therefore that I try to arrange for the Vice President, the Attorney General and myself to meet with you and your colleagues at the earliest opportunity.

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CONGRESSIONAL

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House of Representatives
Washington

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Same ltr sent to: Augustus Hawkins, Johathan Bingham, Robert Nix, Jeffery Cohelan, Adam C. Powell, John Conyers, Joseph Resnick, John Dow, William F. Ryan, Ken W. Dyal, James Scheuer, Don Edwards, Weston Vivian)
bc: Henry Wilson ✓

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(Identical letters sent to Congressmen Jonathan B. Bingham, Jeffery Cohelan, John Conyers, Jr., John G. Dow, Ken W. Dyal, Don Edwards, Augustus F. Hawkins, Robert N. C. Nix, Joseph Y. Resnick, William F. Ryan, and James H. Scheuer. Adam C. Powell, Weston E. Vivian)

GENERAL

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February 17, 1965

Dear Congressman:

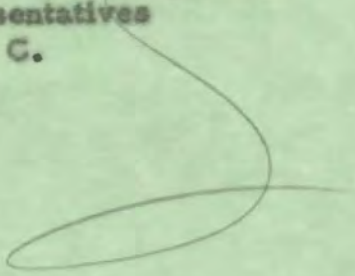
Thank you for your letter of February 16 in support of the invitation to the President to attend a reception for the Honorable John Conyers, Jr.

Your interest in this invitation will have the President's attention, and your letter is being referred to his appointments secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



jl/az

EXECUTIVE ④

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FG400/MC

CONGRESSIONAL

FG440

FG135

February 18, 1965

Dear Congressman:

Confirming our telephone conversation of yesterday evening, the meeting with the Vice President and the Attorney General on the Selma situation which we had originally scheduled for Friday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. has been re-scheduled for 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 24. We hope that the new time will make it possible for members who might otherwise have been out of the city to attend. I would appreciate it if this information could be relayed to the other Members of Congress who expressed an interest in meeting on the voter registration problem.

Sincerely,

Lee C. White
Associate Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

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February 18, 1965

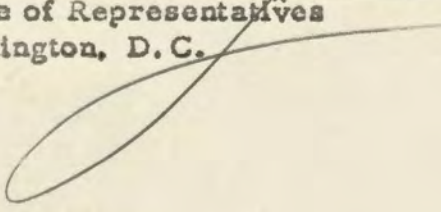
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Sincerely,

Lee C. White
Associate Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



EXECUTIVE
HU 2-7/ST1 (2)
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FG 440
CONGRESSIONAL

GENERAL

Hu2/ST1

March 13, 1965

Dear Congressman:

May I acknowledge your recent telegrams to the President regarding civil rights demonstrations in Alabama, and the role of the Federal Government in protecting the right of every American citizen to register and vote.

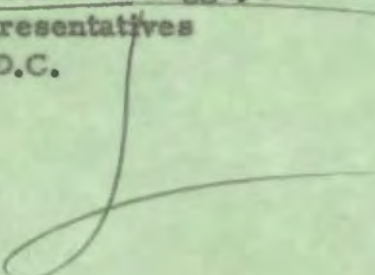
As the enclosed copy of the President's statement of March 9 makes clear, the Administration's recommendations for legislation to secure that right will be sent to the Congress in the very near future. Meanwhile, please be assured that he is maintaining close touch with the situation in Alabama.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure



March 31, 1965

Dear Congressman:

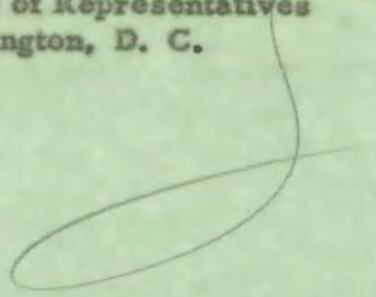
Thank you for forwarding to the President the petitions circulated by the Neighborhood Improvement Club of the Jefferson Junior High School urging federal protection for civil rights demonstrators.

The President appreciated your calling these expressions of concern to his attention. Although your constituents are, of course, aware of the President's actions taken since March 16, the date of the petitions, I am enclosing copies of the Executive Order providing federal assistance in the State of Alabama, and the telegram sent by the President to Governor George Wallace.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



JL/jf

H42

CONGRESSIONAL

April 26, 1965

Dear Congressman:

I have just come across your letter of April 6 regarding the reaction of the Department of Agriculture to the report of the Civil Rights Commission. I left a call at your office to advise you of the fact that the exchange of letters between the President and Secretary Freeman was to be made public last week but was unable to reach you. I did not, however, want your letter to go unanswered and did want to make sure you saw the exchange. In the event you did not I am enclosing a copy.

Sincerely,

Lee C. White
Special Counsel to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure

Thru: Jax Mr. O'Brien

May 4, 1965

Dear Congressman:

At the request of the President and Mrs. Johnson, we are preparing a guest list of Congressional Assistants for a reception to be held at the White House on May 27.

To facilitate this, we would appreciate having the names of your principal Assistants at your earliest convenience. We must adhere to a policy of limiting this to two assistants in each office. The invitations will not be transferable.

Your cooperation in forwarding these names to me will be most helpful in arranging for the invitations to be extended individually.

Claude Desautels of my staff is coordinating this activity.

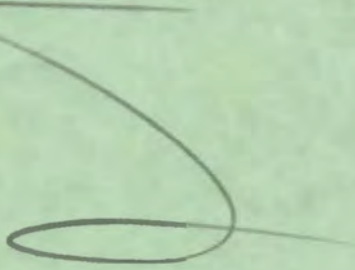
With best regards,

Sincerely,

LARRY

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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CONGRESSIONAL

GENERAL

HU 2-1

May 7, 1965

Dear Mr. Toles:

Chas. G.
Congressman *X* Diggs has thoughtfully forwarded to me the interesting and well written report of the Committee on Judiciary of the National Bar Association. *X*

There are, as your report indicates, many notable achievements on the part of the Federal Government since 1961 in appointing Negro lawyers to important and responsible positions. This does not mean, however, that we should not continue our efforts in this direction. You may be assured that President Johnson's concern in this matter is a continuing one.

Sincerely,

Lee C. White
Special Counsel to the President

X
Edward B. Toles, Esquire
100 North LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois

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cc: Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Jr.

CONGRESSIONAL

June 1, 1965

GENERAL

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Dear Congressman:

I have received your request for information about the possibility of a Presidential pardon for Mr. Benjamin Smith.

The President acts on requests for pardon or other forms of Executive clemency only on the recommendation of the Attorney General. The Pardon Attorney, in the Department of Justice, receives and investigates applications for Executive clemency. I am calling your inquiry to his attention, and am asking him to let you know the procedure to be followed by Mr. Smith in petitioning for pardon.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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June 30, 1965

Dear Congressman:

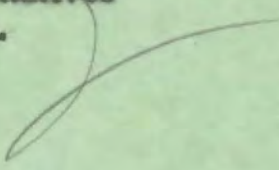
The President wishes to express his gratitude for your generosity in placing an editorial on the next stage in the civil rights movement from the Christian Science Monitor in the Congressional Record of June 29, 1965.

He deeply appreciates your support.

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant to
the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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GENERAL

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20370

IN REPLY REFER TO

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CONGRESSIONAL

JUL 12 1965

Dear Mr. Diggs:

This is in reply to your letter of 1 July 1965 stating that my reply to your inquiry concerning the Clampitt-Locklear incident was entirely unsatisfactory and invited further comments on the incident.

The Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station, Alameda, appointed an officer of his command to conduct an informal investigation into the circumstances of the incident to determine if action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice was indicated. The investigation included interviews with such witnesses as could be identified, including the teller at the Credit Union window, and obtaining written statements from the two principals. After a thorough review of the investigative report, the Commanding Officer considered that formal charges against either Petty Officer Clampitt or Miss Locklear were not warranted. Petty Officer Clampitt was given a private reprimand and the case was dismissed at Executive Officer's Investigation. Petty Officer Clampitt's actions in this incident may be reflected in the marks assigned on her next performance evaluation report. This periodic evaluation is a permanent part of each individual's service record.

The Chief of Naval Personnel considers that the action taken by the Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station, Alameda, was adequate in consonance with the facts of the case. No further action against Petty Officer Clampitt or Miss Locklear is considered necessary or warranted.

Sincerely yours,

H.H. EPES, JR.
CAPTAIN, U. S. NAVY
DEPUTY ASSISTANT CHIEF FOR PLANS AND PROGRAMS

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Copy to:
SECNAV
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Office of the President (Naval Asst to the Military Aide)

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Nothing else sent to
Central Files as of 7-29-65

August 9, 1965

EX NR

Dear Congressman:

I am sending you a brochure that presents, in summary form, the proceedings of the recent White House Conference on Natural Beauty. I thought that the recommendations would be of interest to you. The conference was planned, as you know, to discover and recommend ways to bring natural beauty into the daily lives of all Americans.

It has been a source of pleasure and inspiration to me to see the great public interest developing in natural beauty. Several of our Governors have already scheduled conferences on natural beauty as I suggested in my remarks to the conference delegates here in Washington. Some of our State Highway Departments have devoted a portion of their Federal aid construction funds to the preservation of scenic beauty along their highway systems. Municipalities, school systems, private organizations, and individuals have written to tell of their projects and to offer their assistance in this national effort to improve the quality of our lives.

I am sending copies of this brochure to many of our county and city government leaders across this great country. I hope that these recommendations will be studied and put to work to build a more beautiful America.

Sincerely,

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure

LBJ:RNG:hcb

August 24, 1965

EXECUTIVE
PR 13-1/D4

Dear Congressman:

The President has asked me to send you
the attached pen used when he signed S.
2054, An Act to amend further the Peace
Corps Act.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

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Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: pen used in signing S2054

LFOB:CJD,CJR:jar

August 27, 1965

MEI-2/B*

Dear Congressman:

In response to your request of August 26, I have made arrangements for the President's personal card of congratulations to be sent to Mr. Robert A. Barrett, who celebrated his 101st birthday.

It is always a pleasure to be of assistance to you in these matters.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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FILE MEMO:
August 30, 1965
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DORN, W. J. Bryan
DOW, John G.
DOWDY, John
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FINO, Paul A.

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GROVER, James R.
GRUBSER, Charles S.
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EXECUTIVE
PR 13-1/D*

September 8, 1965

Dear Congressman:

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed pen which he used in signing H. R. 4822, the National Capital Transportation Act.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

*
Honorable Charles Diggs
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: Pen used in signing H. R. 4822

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CONGRESSIONAL

September 15, 1965

GENERAL
HU 2-7

FG 295

PE 2

KILPATRICK, Norman
L.

Dear Congressman:

May I acknowledge your letter of September 14 to the President regarding the criteria used by the Civil Service Commission in selecting Federal Voting Examiners.

Your letter is receiving consideration, and will be responded to in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

ROUTE SLIP

(To Remain With Correspondence)

TO Hon. John Mack, Chairman
Civil Service Commission

PROMPT HANDLING IS ESSENTIAL.
WHEN DRAFT REPLY IS REQUESTED
THE BASIC CORRESPONDENCE MUST
BE RETURNED. IF ANY DELAY IN
SUBMISSION OF DRAFT REPLY IS
ENCOUNTERED, PLEASE TELEPHONE
OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Date September 27, 1965

FROM THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT

Rep. Charles C. Diggs, Jr.

ACTION:

Comment
Draft reply for undersigned's signature
Direct reply, with information copy to undersigned
Further reply, with information copy to undersigned
For background briefing on which to base
reply from this office
For appropriate handling
For your information

~~XXXXXX~~ See below

Remarks:

I am returning the draft of a reply you prepared for my signature to
Rep. Diggs' letter of September 14 to the President, with the request
that it be sent as a CSC reply.

GPO 701-436-h

By direction of the President:

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President
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October 6, 1965

GENERAL

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Dear Congressman:

Thank you for forwarding Private Arthur L. Harris' recent letter to you in which he was joined by many other Marines in urging that a day be set aside by the President to honor those who have been killed in Vietnam.

We are very much in sympathy with Private Harris' wish to honor these men. I know you will want to send him copies of the enclosed Presidential proclamations for Memorial Day and Veterans Day which are intended to honor the members of our armed forces who have fought and are now fighting in Vietnam.

I am returning Private Harris' letter for your filed.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

EXECUTIVE

P41-2

October 14, 1965

Dear Congressman:

The President noted with much appreciation that you inserted in the Congressional Record of October 8 the editorial from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

He has asked me to express his warm thanks for your helpfulness and for this indication of your support and friendship.

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

DAB:az

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GENERAL

HU 2/MC

October 26, 1965

Dear Congressman:

This is in response to your letter of October 11, 1965, concerning the White House Conference, "To Fulfill These Rights".

The meeting of November 17 and 18 will be a small planning session looking toward a larger conference this spring. The purpose of this planning session is to clearly define the issues and to develop recommendations for the consideration of the larger spring session. It is our feeling that, because of the great importance of the issues to be considered by the White House Conference, a planning meeting of experts is an essential prerequisite.

We appreciate your interest in this conference, and we welcome any suggestions concerning those who might attend the conference this spring.

With warm good wishes.

Sincerely,

Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.
Associate Special Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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thru: Lee C White and L. O'Brien

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November 3, 1965

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Dear Charlie:

I would like you to have this freshly minted quarter. It has just come from the Mint, the first result of your new coinage legislation.

On August 24, 1935, President Roosevelt wrote of the 74th Congress, "It has dealt, in a spirit of statesmanship, with matters of vital interest to the lives of our people. Much has been accomplished for the permanent well-being of the Nation as a whole."

I wanted you -- as a member of the even more enlightened and public-minded 89th Congress -- to have this shiny quarter as a memento. Perhaps it may become a treasured keepsake in your family.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure

LBJ:JV:PB:dmf

November 8, 1965

EXECUTIVE

P-126-1/E4

Dear Congressman:

The President was pleased to grant your request and I am happy to send you the enclosed autographed picture for your cousin, Mrs. Sujette Ellis.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: : Picture of P - To Mrs. Sumette Ellis, wbw, LBJ

CJD/CJR/jlh

October 8, 1965

Dear Congressman:

This will acknowledge your letter of recent date in which you requested an autographed picture of the President for presenting to Mrs. Sujette Ellis. I shall be pleased to bring this to his attention. You may be assured that I shall forward the picture on to you when I receive it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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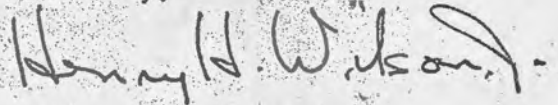
November 8, 1965

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With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 8x10 photograph of President inscribed To Sujette Ellis -
with best wishes, Lyndon B Johnson

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Henry H. Wilson, Jr. /msg-sent/ D*

December 2, 1965

Dear Congressman:

Congratulations and all good wishes for a happy birthday. I hope your birthday will be a very special and memorable occasion and that you will be blessed with many more.

With best personal regards,

Cordially,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

*
Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

December 2, 1965

EXECUTIVE

ME1-2/27

Dear Charlie:

Lady Bird and I join in congratulating you on your birthday. We hope that this day and every day that follows will bring you happiness.

With our warmest wishes for your good health and good fortune,

Sincerely,

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Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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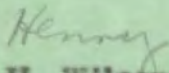
December 8, 1965

Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your recent letter enclosing a copy of Mr. David Mandell's letter to you with which he enclosed a copy of his statement in the New York Times of November 24 which he asked you to call to the attention of the President.

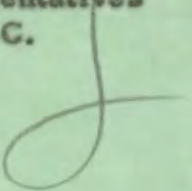
Your courtesy in making this material available for the consideration of the President is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



jl/jf

December 20, 1965

EX HO 7

Dear Charlie:

The celebration of Christmas is a holy time, a time of renewal and hope. It is a time for families and friends, neighbors and colleagues to join in the goodness of God, and His divine purpose.

I could not let this Christmas pass without telling you that Mrs. Johnson, my daughters, and I ask God's blessings on you and yours. And I ask you to join with me in uttering a special prayer that peace will come again to this earth.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Charles C. Diggs
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

LBJ:MM:trd

EXECUTIVE

January 3, 1966

BEA STEEL

Dear Congressman:

It occurs to me that in the course of the current discussions of the Bethlehem Steel Company price increase you may wish to see the attached data, which includes statements earlier made by the President and by Gardner Ackley.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure

HHW:msc

EX 100 400
January 8, 1966

Dear Congressman:

Welcome back to Washington. The President wants you to be reminded that the lines to the White House are open, and we will try to lend you a hand whenever you call on us.

I hope to be seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

HHW:aw

January 17, 1966

EX. NR

Dear Congressman:

I am pleased to be sending you under separate cover a copy of the Proceedings of the White House Conference on Natural Beauty.

This 800 page book is a full transcript of all the sessions of that conference. You will find it a valuable document on many aspects of the problems of preserving and creating beauty in our environment. I commend it to you and your associates for review and reference.

There has been an encouraging wave of interest and action for the natural beauty of America since the White House Conference. The Congress passed the Highway Beautification Bill of 1965 which incorporated many of the conference's recommendations on that subject. The federal agencies have been constantly reviewing their programs to see what they can do to make a greater contribution.

More than twenty states have responded to my suggestion at the conclusion of our White House meeting that each state hold conferences on natural beauty. In cities and towns across the country, local groups have been responding.

I hope that this volume will spur increased interest and provide a valuable source of practical ideas and programs which we see through to implementation.

Sincerely,

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

LBJ:JV:dhl

EXECUTIVE

FBH-8-1/Roche, Chuck

January 20, 1966

Dear Congressman:

As you may know, Chuck Roche, formerly with the Democratic National Committee, has joined the White House Congressional Relations staff.

He will be by to see you shortly. Please feel free to call on either of us whenever we may be of help.

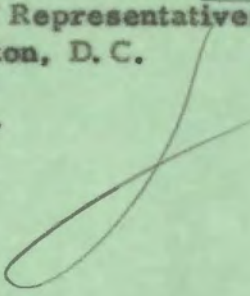
We'll try to do more for Michigan.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

HHW:wjr



GENERAL

H6/n*

February 4, 1966

Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your telegram of February 3 to the President requesting a statement on the 41st anniversary of the founding of Negro History Week.

I am asking that every consideration consistent with policy be given to your interest in appropriate recognition of this event.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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March 3, 1966

Dear Congressman:

The Veterans Readjustment Benefits Act which the President has now signed into law will favorably affect a great many of your constituents.

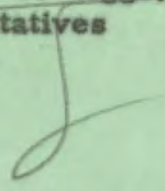
I thought perhaps the attached release containing figures specifically for your district might be helpful to you.

Sincerely yours,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

HHW/sw



GENERAL

Ph 2-2/2 *

April 6, 1966

Dear Congressman Diggs:

The clippings about which you called were received last night. We're most appreciative of your making these available.

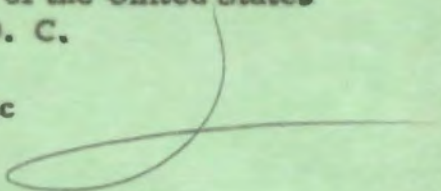
Best personal regards,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

*
The Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
The Congress of the United States
Washington, D. C.

WMW:MJC:mjc



GENERAL

FG 400/ST 22

April 8, 1966

Dear Congressman:

I very much appreciate your invitation to the Michigan Democratic Delegation luncheon on Wednesday, April 20. As I said when we talked on the phone, however, it is just not possible for me to be away from the office during the day.

If you and/or the delegation would like to join me here for coffee some morning around 9:00 o'clock, I'll be pleased to meet with you.

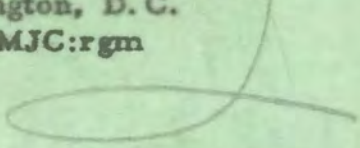
Thanks for calling and for writing.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.
WMW:MJC:rgm



April 15, 1966

GENERAL

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Dear Congressman Diggs:

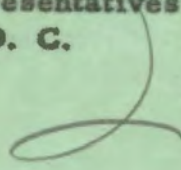
Attached is a copy of the letter sent to Miss Deborah Subelsky commending her for her citation winning letter to the President.

We were glad to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Charles D. Roche

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



CDR:msf

April 15, 1966

Dear Deborah:

The President has asked me to send you this note of appreciation for the encouragement your letter gave him. He has said that a Great Society is really built "brick by brick, and in the toll and the noise of each day." You and your classmates at Foster Elementary School with the guidance and help of your teachers are truly doing your part to help build a Great Society in our country by learning more and more each day, and the President is very proud that you are living up to the hopes he has for all of you.

With the President's congratulations on winning the citation from your school, and with his best wishes for the future,

Sincerely,

Charles D. Roche

**Miss Deborah Subelsky
Foster Elementary School
2600 Brush
Detroit, Michigan**

GENERAL

FG 11-8-1/Watson, W. Marvin
FG 400/ST 22

April 26, 1966

Dear Congressman:

Tuesday, May 3, at 9 a.m. will be fine for the meeting you discuss in your April 25 letter.

I'll look forward to seeing you at that time when we can visit and have a cup of coffee together.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515
re Michigan Delegation to meet

WMW:MJC:rgm

May 13, 1966

GENERAL

B25-3

Dear Congressman Diggs:

Thank you for your letter of May 12 attaching Mr. Richard Haasnoot's request for information about possible congressional action to prevent inflation. You asked for a resume of the Administration's program and possible legislative requests in an inflationary situation.

I hope the attached copy of the President's remarks on this subject at the Second National Legislative Conference of the National League of Cities will be helpful. Additionally, I would like to refer Mr. Haasnoot to the following publications which he can obtain from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office:

The Budget of the United States Government Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1967,

Economic Report of the President Together with the Annual Report of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Sincerely,

Charles D. Roche

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

CDR:msf

WJ CONGRESSIONAL

May 20, 1966

EXECUTIVE

FG202 (11)

Dear Congressman:

In response to your request, I have delivered to the President your letter of May 20 in which you were joined by other Democratic Members of the Michigan Delegation in urging the selection of Northfield Township, Michigan, as the site for the proposed National Accelerator Laboratory.

HART, Philip A.
CLEVINGER, Raymond F.
CONYERS, John Jr.
DIGGS, Charles Jr.
DINGELL, John D.
FARNUM, Billie S.
FORD, Wm. D.
GRIFFITHS, Martha W.
MACKIE, John C.
NEDZI, Lucien N.
O'HARA, James G.
TODD, Paul H. Jr.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Weston E. ^XVivian
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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August 3, 1966

Dear Charlie:

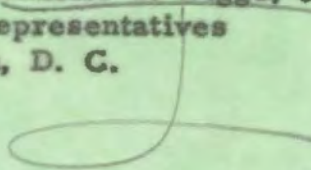
Please accept my warm congratulations on your renomination yesterday for another term in the House.

Let me say that I will try to be of assistance wherever possible in the November election and I hope you will keep me advised as to any specific thoughts you might have regarding the legislative and political situation.

Best regards,

Charles D. Roche

Honorable Charlie C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



CDR:msf

GENERAL

HA 2/5724

September 1, 1966

Dear Congressman:

May I acknowledge your letter of August 30 to the President with reference to a telegram from Mr. Charles Evers regarding the racial composition of draft boards.

Your support of Mr. Evers' views has been carefully noted and your letter will be considered in conjunction with his telegram.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

September 13, 1966

EX-100285

Dear Congressman:

The President would like to invite one member of your staff to attend the welcoming ceremonies at the White House of His Excellency Ferdinand E. Marcos, President of the Republic of the Philippines.

Please have your staff member present the enclosed ticket at the Southwest Gate by 11:15 a.m., Wednesday, September 14, 1966.

I regret that there are no parking facilities available.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure

GENERAL
C0271

October 10, 1966

Dear Congressman:

May I acknowledge your telegram to the President regarding the South-West Africa question, now under consideration in the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Please be assured that your views will have the attention of the President and appropriate officials of the Department of State.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Friday, October 14, 1966

NOTE FOR HENRY WILSON

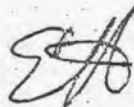
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Korry, Edward M.

C. ^x The attached letter from Congressman Chas.
~~Diggs~~ requested a copy of the ^xKorry Report to
the President on development prospects in
Africa. Since the Report is classified and
could cause several kinds of embarrassment
if it were to leak, we aren't distributing copies.

However, we want to be as responsive
as possible to interested members of Congress.
Therefore, I agreed with Joe Palmer (Assistant
Secretary of State for African Affairs) to call
Congressman Diggs and offer to send a senior
and knowledgeable State representative to brief
him on the report and the follow-up. Diggs
accepted the offer with thanks. The briefing is
scheduled for Tuesday, October 18.

from Congressman



Edward K. Hamilton

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October 18, 1966

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CONGRESSIONAL

Dear Mr. Davidson:

The President asked me to thank you for your thoughtful and generous gesture. He is most appreciative of your kindness in wanting him to share in this way the 100th anniversary of your company.

With the President's cordial good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

Mr. James H. Davidson
Personnel Director
Vernors, Inc.
4501 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48201

cc: Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.

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LE/FG 216

October 26, 1966

Dear Congressman:

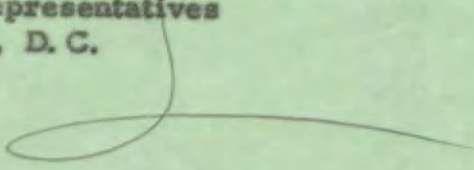
Thank you for your letter of October 25 to the President in which you urge that he withhold his approval from H. R. 5688, the District of Columbia Crime and Criminal Procedure Act.

I want to assure you that your letter will be called to the attention of the President.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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November 2, 1966

Dear Congressman:

On behalf of the President, let me acknowledge and thank you for your recent letter, urging him to veto the D. C. crime bill, and enclosing a copy of the minority views on H.R. 5688, and of your statement on the floor during the debate.

This material will certainly be brought to the President's attention before a final decision is made on this legislation.

Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Horsky
Advisor for
National Capital Affairs

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515



November 4, 1966

EXECUTIVE

WH14-1

Dear Congressman Diggs:

Because you joined him as an invited guest on a recent Presidential flight, the President wanted you to have the enclosed Flight Certificate as a reminder of that event.

The knowledge of your friendship is a warm and sustaining part of the lives of each of us.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

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November 4, 1966

EXECUTIVE

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Dear Charlie:

Attached is a copy of a report on the Manila Conference which I sent to the Speaker, Senate Majority Leader, and the House and Senate Minority Leaders. I thought you might want a copy.

The Manila Conference, I am firmly convinced, was a great success.

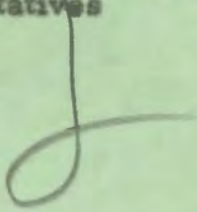
I also want to take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation and the gratitude of our Nation for the contribution you made to the 89th Congress, the Great Congress.

My prayers and best wishes for your continued success in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

LBJ:WMW:JJ:wew



November 9, 1966

Dear Charlie:

Congratulations on your re-election. While my confidence in the good judgment of the voters of your District never wavered, it is heartening to know that the victory you so fully earned is yours.

The Speaker described the 89th as the most dedicated Congress he had seen in his 38 years as a Member of the House. I join him in looking forward to an even greater 90th Congress.

Sincerely,

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

LBJ:HHW:wew

EXECUTIVE

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November 10, 1966

Dear Charlie:

Congratulations to your voters for having the good sense to return you to Congress for another term.

I join with your many other friends in sending you my warm regards and every good wish for success and happiness in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

Charles D. Roche

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

CDR:mjk

November 17, 1966

Dear Congressman:

Congratulations on your re-election, which was a personal triumph and a tribute to the quality of representation you are giving your constituents. Your victory was good news in every way.

Let me also thank you for your valuable and ready assistance during the 89th Congress. It has been a pleasure to work with you during these years of remarkable legislative accomplishment.

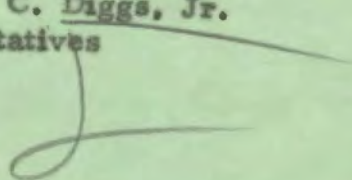
With best personal regards and good wishes,

Cordially,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

HW:JL:jmn



Henry H. Wilson, Jr. / May Sent 10th

December 2, 1966

Dear Congressman:

Congratulations on your birthday. I hope that this day of special significance to you and your family will usher in a year of good health and happiness.

With best regards and good wishes,

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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EXECUTIVE
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December 2, 1966

Dear Charlie:

Lady Bird and I join in sending you our warmest greetings on your birthday. We wish for you a joyous celebration today and a year filled with the good things of life for you and yours.

With the hope that you will have many happy returns of the day,

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

LBJ:HHW:JL:jf

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

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To: Mr. Don Radler
Congressional Liaison
Office of Economic Opportunity

Date: January 13, 1967

ACTION REQUESTED

- ☐ Draft reply for:
☐ President's signature.
☐ Undersigned's signature.
- ☐ Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- ☐ Direct reply.
☐ Furnish information copy.
- ☒ Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
- ☒ Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- ☐ For your information.
- ☐ For comment.

NOTE

Prompt action is essential.

If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

REMARKS:

Letter to the President referred to below was sent to OEO by Paul M. Popple on January 10.

Description:

☒ Letter: ☐ Telegram: ☐ Other:

To: The President
From: Cong. Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
Date: January 11, 1967
Subject: Letter from Mrs. Oliver Kerr opposing any reduction in funds for various poverty programs under the OEO.

By direction of the President:

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

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January 13, 1967

Dear Congressman:

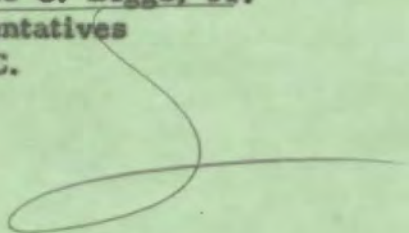
Thank you for your letter of January 11 to the President urging the serious consideration of Mrs. Oliver Kerr's request that funds be made available by the Office of Economic Opportunity to continue the present level of federal assistance to A Better Chance/Independent Schools Talent Search Program.

Mrs. Kerr's letter was referred to the Office of Economic Opportunity for consideration, and I am calling your interest to the attention of the appropriate officials there.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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January 14, 1967

Charlie
Dear Congressman:—

As the session begins, I want to express my readiness to be of all assistance possible during the months ahead. I expect to be talking with you before too long, as it is our intention to ask the Members of Congress to come down to the White House in small groups soon.

Meanwhile, let me know if there is anything we can do for you here.

With best regards,

Cordially,

Henry
Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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January 27, 1967

The President and Mrs. Johnson invite you to a black tie dinner honoring his Majesty Hassan, II, King of Morocco, Thursday, February 9, 1967, at eight o'clock, The White House. Formal invitation follows. RSVP.

The Social Secretary, The White House

LARAKI, Ahmed, Ambassador of Morocco
Secretary of State & Mrs. Rusk
DOUGLAS, William O., Supreme Court of
the U.S.

Secretary of Defense & Mrs. McNamara
Secretary of Agriculture & Mrs. Freeman

MANSFIELD, Mike, U.S. Senate
CASE, Clifford, U.S. Senate
LAUSCHE, Frank J., U.S. Senate
GRUENING, Ernest, U.S. Senate
CHAFEE, John H., Gov. of R.I.
ELLINGTON, Buford, Gov. of Tenn.
CONNALLY, John B., Gov. of Texas
WIDNALL, William B., U.S. Congress
JONAS, Charles R., U.S. Congress
O'HARA, Barratt, U.S. Congress
O'NEILL, Thomas P., U.S. Congress
DIGGS, Charles C., Jr., U.S. Congress

KYROS, Peter N., U.S. Congress
MARTIN, William McC, Jr.
TAZI, Abderraham Al, Internatl Bank for
Reconstruction & Development

MERCHANT, Livingston T.,
VAUGHN, Jack Hood, Peace Corps
TASCA, Henry J., State
SYMINGTON, James W., D.C.
ROSTOW, Eugene V., State
PALMER, Joseph, State
BONSAL, Philip W., Wash., D.C.
FERGUSON, John, Wash., D.C.
HOLMES, Julius C., Wash., D.C.
YOST, Robert C., NYC
IOANES, Raymond A., Wash., D.C.
ALEXANDER, Shana, Life News Service
BABIDGE, Homer D., Jr., Storrs, Conn.
BAKER, Crodus, Sears Roebuck & Co.
BASSETT, Harry H., Miami Beach, Fla.
BEALE, Betty, Wash., D.C.
BURGESS, Carter L., American Machine &
Foundry Co.

CHAVIS, Patrick, Jr., Indpls.
CRAWFORD, Kenneth G., Wash., D.C.
CRONKITE, Walter, NYC

DUNN, William E., Wash., D.C.
FERRE, Maurice A., Miami, Fla.
GATES, Thomas S., NYC
GOULD, Elliott, NYC
GUINAN, Matthew, Transport Workers
Union of America
HACKNEY, Vivian H., Marshall Natl, Bank
HAMMER, Armand, LosA
HARM, Ray, Cox's Creek, Ky.
HAYNIE, Robert M., Hillsborough, Calif.
HEWITT, William A., Moline, Ill.
HILTON, Conrad, NYC
HUDSPETH, Francis, Austin, Tex.
ITURBI, Jose, NYC
JOHNSON, John H., Chicago, Ill.
KILEY, Richard, Tuxedo Park, NY
KOHLMEYER, Herman S., Sr., Nrlms
LIMON, Jose, NYC
LYONS, John H., Jr., StL
McCURDY, Merle M., Cleveland, Ohio
MILLER, Dale, Wash., D.C.
MILLER, Robert Watt, Sfran.
MOORE, George D., NYC
NICKERSON, Albert L., NYC
QUINN, Anthony, NYC
REUTHER, Walter, Det.
RIPLEY, Josephine B., Christian Science
Monitor

SAMUELS, Howard J., NYC
SHEA, William A., NYC
SMITH, Howard K., Wash., D.C.
WAGNER, Robert F., NYC
WOUK, Herman, Wash., D.C.
BATSON, Joe, Amarillo, Tex.
KLEBERG, Robert J., Jr., Kingsville, Tex.
BERRY, Theodore M., Wash., D.C.
HARRISON, Rex., Beverly Hills, Calif.
YOUNGMAN, William S., NYC

January 24, 1967

Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your telegram of January 23 regarding the possibility of arranging an appointment with the President for the Honorable Lynden O. Pindling.

I will certainly see that your comments about the advisability of an appointment receive attention.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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February 2, 1967

Dear Congressman:

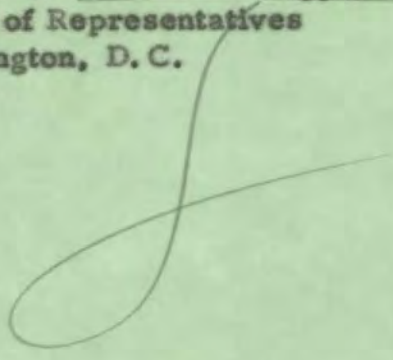
The President has asked me to acknowledge your letter of February 1 concerning the refueling of the U.S. Aircraft Carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt at Capetown, South Africa.

The President has asked Deputy Secretary of Defense Cyrus Vance to **contact** you directly and I understand that Secretary Vance will be meeting with you at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow morning.

Sincerely,

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



The President hopes it will be possible for you to join him for luncheon in honor of General W.C. Westmoreland at the White House on Friday, April 28, 1967, at 1:00 P.M. Please present this telegram at the Southwest Gate, RSVP.

The Social Secretary, The White House

SCHWEIKER, Richard S., Congress
MACHEN, Hervey G., Congress
WALKER, E.S. Johnny, Congress
BATES, William H., Congress
O'KONSKI, Alvin E., Congress
WILSON, Bob, Congress
CHAMBERLAIN, Charles E., Congress
HALL, Durward G., Congress
STAFFORD, Robert T., Congress
HALLECK, Charles A., Congress
KING, Carleton J., Congress
WHALEN, Charles W., Jr., Congress
MAHON, George H., Congress
WHITTEN, Jamie L., Congress
FLOOD, Daniel J., Congress
SLACK, John M., Jr., Congress
LAIRD, Melvin R., Congress
RHODES, John J., Congress
ZABLOCKI, Clement J., Congress
DICKINSON, William L., Congress
SMITH, James V., Congress
SIKES, Robert L., Congress
ANDREWS, George W., Congress
ADDABBO, Joseph P., Congress
LIPSCOMB, Glenard P., Congress
MINSHALL, William E., Congress
MORGAN, Thomas E., Congress
BURLESON, Omar, Congress
KELLY, Edna, Congress
SELDEN, Armistead I., Jr., Congress
FOUNTAIN, L.H., Congress
FARBSTEIN, Leonard, Congress
MURPHY, William T., Congress
NIX, Robert N.C., Congress
FRASER, Donald M., Congress
ROYBAL, Edward R., Congress
HAMILTON, Lee H., Congress
HAYS, Wayne L., Congress
O'HARA, Barratt, Congress
FASCELL, Dante B., Congress
DIGGS, Charles C., Jr., Congress
GALLAGHER, Cornelius E., Congress
MONAGAN, John S., Congress
ROSENTHAL, Benjamin S., Congress
CULVER, John C., Congress
TUNNEY, John V., Congress
BOLTON, Frances P., Congress
MAILLIARD, William S., Congress
BROOMFIELD, William S., Congress

GROSS, H.R. Congress
DERWINSKI, Edward J., Congress
THOMSON, Vernon W., Congress
FINDLEY, Paul, Congress
TAFT, Robert, Jr., Congress
RESOR, Stanley R., Defense
ADAIR, E. Ross, Congress
FRELINGHUYSEN, Peter H.B., Congress
WHALLEY, J. Irving, Congress
BERRY, E. Y., Congress
MORSE, F. Bradford, Congress
FULTON, James G., Congress
BUCHANAN, John, Congress
Vance, Cyrus R., Defense
NITZE, Paul H., Defense
BROWN, Harold, Secy of the Air Force
JOHNSON, Harold K., U.S. Army
McCONNELL, John P., USAF
ABRAMS, Creighton W., Army Dept.
WHEELER, Earle G., Joint Chiefs of Staff
McDONALD, David L., Chief of Naval
Operations
GREENE, Wallace M., Jr., Commandant of
the Marine Corps.

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EXECUTIVE
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April 27, 1967

Hon. Charles C. Diggs
1361 Joliet Place^x
Detroit, Michigan 48207

^{*}
Charles C. Diggs Sr.
^x

I was deeply grieved to learn upon my return to Washington of the death of your father. I know the heartache and grief you are suffering and pray that God will give you and your family strength and comfort.

Lyndon B. Johnson

LBJ:HHW:jl

Flowers sent

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April 27, 1967

Hon. Charles C. Diggs
1361 Joliet Place
Detroit, Michigan 48207

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April 27, 1967

*
Hon. Charles C. Diggs
1361 Joliet Place
Detroit, Michigan 48207

I am distressed to hear of your great loss and extend
deepest sympathy to you and your family. Please let
me know if I can be helpful to you in any way.

Henry H. Wilson, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
to the President

HHW:jl

June 1, 1967

Executive
FG 11-8-1/
Sanders, B.

Dear Congressman:

In my new post as Legislative Counsel to the President I will be spending a great deal of time on the Hill on Congressional matters. With Henry Wilson's departure I will be assuming his responsibilities in this field.

I look forward to working with you and visiting with you soon. Please let me know when I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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June 19, 1967

Dear Mr. Congressman:

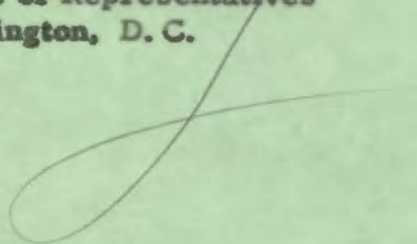
The President personally asked me to send you the attached copy of his speech this morning at the National Foreign Policy Conference for Educators.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

JL:nb



CHARLES C. DIGGS, JR.
13TH DISTRICT, MICHIGAN

DETROIT OFFICE:
8401 WOODWARD AVENUE
875-4430

MISS DOROTHY QUARKER
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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June 21, 1967

Congressional Liaison Office
Office of Economic Opportunity
1200 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

On June 5, Attorney Henry Arrington of Miami, Florida, addressed a communication to the President relative to the Legal Services of that community. His central complaint is that the neighborhood Legal Services in Miami is not utilizing a means test within the guidelines established by your agency. As a result, many people are obtaining such services who can afford to hire a private practitioner. If this is true, of course, it is in violation of your regulations and demands immediate corrective action.

In addition, it has been observed that Negro staff people employed by the agency in Miami are all holding lower echelon positions which has made some people suspicious about an equal opportunity policy. Moreover, all of the investigators that are used by the agency there are drawn from the student body of the University of Miami Law School. The employment results are obvious, since there are no Negroes in the school. There are Negroes who can meet the requirements of these investigative positions.

I am therefore requesting a prompt review of these practices, a report of your findings and adjustments will be expected.

Sincerely,

CHARLES C. DIGGS, JR.
Member of Congress
13th District of Michigan
CCW/o

cc: Hon. Dante Fascell
Hon. Claude Pepper
White House Liaison
Atty. H. Arrington

June 29, 1967

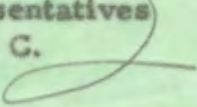
Dear Congressman:

The President has asked me to respond to your letter of June 27 and to thank you for sending him the transcript of your recent radio broadcast regarding the nomination of Solicitor General Thurgood Marshall to the United States Supreme Court. Your interest is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.





OFFICE OF
THE CHAIRMAN

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20506

June 29, 1967

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Diggs, Charles C.

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

This will be my last report to you as Chairman of the
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

I would like to repeat to you what a great honor it has
been to work in the field of civil rights under the inspiration of
your deep commitment and to serve my country under your dedi-
cated leadership.

I would also like to express my total pleasure at your
selection of Clifford Alexander as my successor. As you know,
Cliff is an old and good friend of mine, and I cannot imagine a
better choice.

Finally, I thought you might be interested in a copy of
a letter I last week sent in answer to Congressman Diggs, who
had inquired what we had done at the Commission in response to
criticism that our processes were too slow. It details the changes
we have undertaken and planned, and is attached.

I deeply appreciate your understanding of my personal
needs to return to private life at this time, and hope you will
call upon me if I can be of any assistance in the future.

Respectfully yours,

Stephen N. Shulman
Stephen N. Shulman
Chairman

Enclosure

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CHARLES C. DIGGS, JR.
13TH DISTRICT, MICHIGAN

DETROIT OFFICE:
8401 WOODWARD AVENUE
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MISS DOROTHY QUARKER
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

CONGRESSIONAL

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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CAPITOL 4-3121
EXTENSION 2261

GENERAL

July 6, 1967

The Honorable Richard J. Hughes
The Governor of New Jersey
Trenton, New Jersey

Dear Governor Hughes:

In a recent conversation with Dr. Aaron Henry of
Clarksdale, Mississippi, further evidence was un-
folded relative to racially discriminatory practices
by that State's official Democratic Party organiza-
tion.

As you probably know, I was a member of the Credentials
Committee at our 1964 national convention and also
served on the Lawrence subcommittee which authored the
agreement designed to prevent a continuation of these
experiences. Obviously, this agreement is not being
honored. Additionally, several recommendations have
been made to implement this agreement. I am not aware
that the latter have been approved. Your comments
would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES C. DIGGS, JR.
Member of Congress
13th District of Michigan

cc: /o

cc: The President
The Vice President
Hon. Walter Mondale
Chm. John Bailey
Dr. Aaron Henry
Mr. Charles Evers
Mrs. Mildred Jaffrey
Mr. Louis Martin
Mr. Joe. Rauh
Mr. Roy Reuther
Mr. Neil Szeabler

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GENERAL

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July 14, 1967

Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your letter of July 11
regarding the composition of Selective
Service Boards in Mississippi.

Your letter is receiving careful attention,
and we will be back in touch with you on
this.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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July 24, 1967

Dear Congressman:

I am enclosing for your information a copy of the telegram which the President has sent to Governor Romney in response to the request of the Governor and Mayor Cavanagh that Federal troops be sent to the Detroit area.

I knew that you would be interested in this communication.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Enclosures

IV/1967/ST22 (Detroit)

July 25, 1967

Dear Congressman Diggs:

I have received your July 24 letter this morning with reference to the invitation from the Archdiocese of Detroit for the groundbreaking ceremony on August second.

Unfortunately, the President's schedule of August second will not permit this addition, and Mr. Edward Robinson of the Archdiocese is being so notified. However, please know that your expressed interest in this matter is much appreciated.

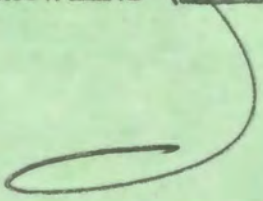
With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515
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copy ~~FILE~~ TO MARY RAWLINS (red tag)



BBT MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1967

MEMO FOR: Marvin Watson

FROM: Barefoot Sanders

This is about the statement by Congressman Diggs, ^x Charles C. Jr. that a telephone call from him resulted in the President ordering in Federal troops Monday night.

About 9:30 p.m. in a conference call the President asked me to call all the Wayne County Congressmen. I had the operators go to work on all of them. Diggs was not reached until shortly after 11: p.m.

When the operators located Diggs it was after you had told me that the troops were going to be ordered in about 11:30 p.m. I did not tell Diggs this, of course. My message to him was that that the 9:30 decision not to send troops was based on the advice and recommendations of many people, that it was constantly being reviewed and was open to change.

Diggs raised hell over the phone for about ten minutes about the failure to bring in the troops. He said that the blood was on the Administration's hands, that the Administration was playing politics with the situation, and so on. I got a little hot at him about some of this and I think that helped tone him down.

When you called me at 11:30 p.m. to say that it was okay to say that the troops had been ordered in, I replaced calls to call the Wayne County Congressmen. I reached Diggs and all the others fairly rapidly before the President's telecast. I told him that the constant review which I had mentioned to him in my earlier conversation had resulted in orders for the Federal troops to move in.

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to Watson ND9

return to Marvin FG 11-5-1 Sanders, Barefoot

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LIST OF ADDRESSEES

Senator Philip A. Hart
Senator Robert F. Griffin
Congressman William S. Broomfield
Congressman Garry Brown
Congressman Elford A. Cederberg
Congressman Charles E. Chamberlain
Congressman John Conyers, Jr.
Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
Congressman John D. Dingell
Congressman Marvin L. Fack
Congressman Gerald R. Ford
Congressman William D. Ford
Congressman James Harvey
Congressman Jack H. McDonald
Congressman Lucien N. Nedzi
Congressman James G. O'Hara
Congressman Donald W. Riegle
Congressman/Philip E. Ruppe
Congressman Guy A. Vander Jagt.

July 29, 1967

TO: See attached list

In further response to your telegram of July 27, I have today directed the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to declare the riot torn sections of Detroit as disaster areas that are eligible for appropriate special assistance to home owners and businessmen under the Small Business Act.

This action will make available special three percent low interest rate loans to home owners and small businessmen whose property has suffered substantial economic injury as a result of the riots.

These special loans will supplement the efforts and available resources of state and local government and will help citizens to reestablish or continue their businesses and to rebuild or repair their homes.

I have asked the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to dispatch special teams to Detroit to assist eligible citizens in applying for this special supplemental assistance.

Lyndon B. Johnson

Joseph A. Califano, Jr.

August 8, 1967

MEMORANDUM

To: Colonel Bernard T. Franck
Chief, Office of Legislation
and Liaison
National Selective Service System

From: Barefoot Sanders

Thank you for your comments on Congressman Charles C. Diggs letter. I would appreciate your responding further to the Congressman, along the lines of your letter to me.

Att.

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

GENERAL (3)
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To: Mr. Walter Hasty
Chief, Congressional Liaison
HUD

Date: September 19, 1967

ACTION REQUESTED

- ☐ Draft reply for:
☐ President's signature.
☐ Undersigned's signature.
- ☐ Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- ☒ Direct reply.
☒ Furnish information copy.
- ☐ Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
- ☐ Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- ☐ For your information.
- ☐ For comment.

NOTE

Prompt action is essential.

If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

REMARKS:

Description:

☒ Letter: ☐ Telegram: ☐ Other:

To: The White House X
From: Cong. Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
Date: September 18, 1967
Subject: Req info re survey of surplus federal land in urban areas to determine its usefulness for model public housing communities.

1 By messenger

By direction of the President:

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

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September 27, 1967

Dear Congressman:

I have received your letter regarding your recommendation of Mr. William Simpson for the D. C. Commission and will make this additional information further available to the proper people.

We appreciate your interest in this matter.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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cc with incoming to JOHN MACY AND DOUG NOBLES *sent*

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CONGRESSIONAL

October 17, 1967

GENERAL

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Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your letter of October 16 requesting information about the possible participation of Detroit in the recently announced industry-government pilot program on hard-core unemployment.

I am referring your letter to Mr. William E. Zisch, Special Representative for this program, and you may expect a further reply in the near future.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

X
Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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FILE MEMO:

See: C.F. CO 312, for corresp., 10/19/67 re Arthur T. FLEMING, Tony DECHANT, Charles C. DIGGS, Jr., Ellsworth BUNKER, George MEANY, I.W. ABEL, James SUFFRIDGE, Wm. Randolph HEARST, John COWLES, Jr., Roy WILKINS, Gov. Harold HUGHES, and Lt. Gov. Mark HOGAN.

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October 2, 1967

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Dear Congressman Ryan:

I have given careful thought to the letter in which you and your colleagues advocate a halt in the bombing of North Vietnam.

I am just as anxious as you are to see the conflict throughout Vietnam ended once and for all. But despite numerous direct and indirect contacts over the past months, we have not had any indication from Hanoi that North Vietnam genuinely desires a peaceful settlement. We have never received any assurance from any quarter that a unilateral cessation of the bombing would lead North Vietnam to seek, in good faith, a real and lasting resolution of the conflict.

I assure you that we shall continue -- directly and indirectly -- to seek any indication that North Vietnam really desires productive discussions with us. We will continue to do everything humanly possible to reach a satisfactory settlement of this tragic conflict.

Sincerely,

The Honorable
William F. Ryan
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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Xerox of original sent to the Congress
in the original letter.

Theodore R. Kupferman
Robert L. Leggett
Patsy T. Hink
Thomas M. Rees
Henry S. Reuss
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William F. Ryan
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George E. Brown Jr.
Phillip Burton
Daniel E. Burton
Jeffery Cohelan
John Conyers Jr.
Charles C. Diggs Jr.
John G. Doy
Don Edwards

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November 24, 1967

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
2464 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Diggs:

Thank you for your letter of November 20th, 1967, inquiring if any of the low-rent housing projects under review by the \$1 billion insurance consortium are in the Detroit area.

I have checked with the Federal Housing Administration, which is handling detailed negotiations with the insurance companies and their local outlets. No multi-family rent-supplement housing projects that meet the criteria of the insurance consortium are in the Detroit area. I am advised, however, that FHA will soon be discussing individual family mortgages in blighted, inner-city areas with the insurance industry. Of a total of approximately 4,000 such mortgages now insured by FHA, 1,096 are in the inner-city, blighted parts of the metropolitan Detroit area. We do not now know whether the insurance consortium will finance individual family homes, but the insurance people have shown a willingness to review FHA's holdings in this category.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Califano, Jr.
Special Assistant to the President

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December 2, 1967

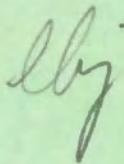
Dear Charlie:

Mrs. Johnson and I join in offering you our warmest birthday greetings.

We hope that this day will usher in a year of health and happiness in fullest measure, and that it will bring you the growing joy and satisfaction that derive from public accomplishment.

With our best regards,

Sincerely,



Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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HAROLD BAREFOOT SANDERS

/May Sent/2*

December 2, 1967

Dear Congressman:

Congratulations on your birthday, and best wishes for many more years of good health and happiness.

I have enjoyed becoming better acquainted with you over the past few months and I look forward with pleasure to continuing our association.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. ^{*}Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

December 8, 1967

Dear Congressman Diggs:

* Mich (In response to your letter of the fifth
and your request for a photograph of the
President for the 13th Congressional
District Democratic Organization, I am
happy to comply.

Enclosed is a color 16 x 20 picture of
the President, and I hope this will be
helpful to the group.

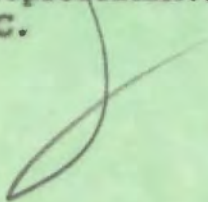
With best wishes,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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GENERAL

Hof Negro
History
Week

Keith, Luther C.
Summers, Rev. Calvin

February 2, 1968

Dear Congressman:

As I mentioned to you over the phone a few days ago, the President received a telegram recently from the ^xUnited Committee on Negro History Incorporated, informing him of the February 11 observance of Negro History Week.

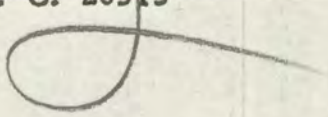
Noting that you are scheduled to speak at the observance, the President would appreciate it if you would be so kind as to convey to the participants his personal best wishes and his thanks for the very kind sentiments expressed in the Committee's telegram.

The President believes this is a significant occasion and wishes all who are participating the greatest possible success.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Hardesty
Assistant to the President

Honorable Charles C. ^xDiggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515



February 9, 1968

GENERAL

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History
Week
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Dear Mr. Picott:

The President has received your letter and he appreciates your writing him of the February 11-17 observance of Negro History Week. He has asked his good friend, Congressman Charles C. Diggs, Jr., who is scheduled to speak to your group, to convey his personal best wishes to the participants and at the same time to thank you for the very kind sentiments expressed in your Committee's telegram.

While your suggestion is also appreciated, I would like to explain that the President ordinarily issues proclamations designating periods for special observance only when a Congressional resolution authorizes him to do so.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Will Sparks
Assistant to
the President

Mr. J. Rupert Picott
President
X Association for the Study of
Negro Life and History, Inc.
1538 Ninth Street, NW.
Washington, D. C. 20001

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Syphax, Katherine (Mrs)

April 19, 1968

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My warmest greetings go out to all the members
of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
as you meet for your 38th quadrennial conference.

You bring the tranquility of spiritual satisfaction
to the tensions of a trying time.

You uplift humanity's trust in the Providence of
God.

You fortify the Brotherhood of Man under His Al-
mighty Fatherhood. And you pave the path to the
peace which is our common purpose and which
prompts our common prayer.

cc: Cong. ^xDiggs, Charles C. Jr.

Statement sent to: General Chairman Richard L. ^xGray
c/o Rev. Wm. C. ^xArdrey, AME Zion Church
38th Quadrennial Natl. & Intl. Conference
11359 Dexter Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48206

LBJ:WRS:EH:sar

CC: Juanita Roberts, Will Sparks, Bob Hardesty (FYI), Eliska Hasek, ^{serh} 4-20
Lloyd Hackler, CF

Req'd by: AME Zion Church & Cong. Diggs
Date of Event: May 1-15, 1968
Due: ASAP..

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GENERAL
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April 19, 1968

Dear Charlie:

The President has asked me to send you with his best wishes the enclosed photograph taken when you were at the White House on April 11 for the signing of the Civil Rights bill.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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CONGRESSIONAL

May 13, 1968

Dear Congressman:

This is in reply to your note of May 7, regarding Mr. Simon G. Hakim.

I received a similar request on behalf of Mr. Hakim from Congressman Nedzi a few days ago. My investigations at that time showed:

First, that we do not have here at the White House any record of correspondence between Mr. Hakim and President Kennedy.

Second, Mr. Hakim did write to President Johnson on the subject of a goodwill mission in 1964--and received a reply from Larry O'Brien, thanking him for his interest and stating that his offer would be borne in mind. There was no letter--or promise of a goodwill mission assignment--from the President. *(filed name file)*

Third, the government has no plans for such a mission at this time.

In view of these facts, I would suggest a reply to Mr. Hakim along the following lines:

"Our government welcomes the efforts of any private American to develop goodwill for the United States in the Middle East. It does not, however, contemplate any official goodwill mission at this time. It appreciates Mr. Hakim's interest."

Sincerely,

Robert L. Hardesty
Assistant to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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June 8, 1968

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Flemming:

I was delighted to learn through your Congressman, Charles C. Diggs, that you are celebrating your Golden Wedding Anniversary on June 12.

This is a cherished moment for those who are fortunate to reflect on so many years of shared happiness.

Mrs. Johnson and I appreciate your joy and wish you the fullest measure of health and the fulfillment of all your dreams.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Flemming
5118 Mitchell Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48211

cc: Congressman Charles C. Diggs

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cc: Will Sparks, Eliska Hasek, Robert Hardesty, Loyd Hackler,
Fay Steiner, CF.

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

To: Director
Bureau of the Budget

Date: June 28, 1968

ACTION REQUESTED

- ☐ Draft reply for:
☐ President's signature.
☐ Undersigned's signature.
- ☐ Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- ☐ Direct reply.
☐ Furnish information copy.
- ☐ Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
☐ Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- ☐ For your information.
- ☐ For comment.

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REMARKS:

Request comment on the proposals in the Congressmens' letter.
(Note: Civil Svc Commission is also being asked to comment.)

Description:

☒ Letter: ☐ Telegram: ☐ Other:

To: The President ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒
From: Reps William F. Ryan, Phillip Burton, John Conyers, Jr, Edward R. Roybal, & Charles C. Diggs
Date: June 20, 1968
Subject: Complaining that insufficient use is being made of minority personnel in the Federal Civil Svc and discrimination in employment among Federal contractors

By direction of the President:

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JUN 28 1968

Harry C. McPherson, Jr.
Special Counsel to the President

(White House File Copy)

July 3, 1968

Dear Charlie:

On Monday it was the proud privilege of this Government to sign the Non-Proliferation Treaty.

We will begin talks with the Soviet Union on further steps to peace soon.

Because of the great importance of these events to all the people of the world, I am sending you a personal copy of the remarks I made on Monday.

I hope that you will give this matter your full and urgent attention.

I trust we may move forward as a united people toward bringing a measure of order into the affairs of our troubled planet.

Sincerely,

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

LBJ:CMM:ehw



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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*PR6-2/15**

Fay:

Daniel
After a few phone calls with this man - Maglione - I ascertained that Col. *James* did receive pics - numbers listed on attached. What this man really wants is a picture of Col. James with the President FOR Rep. *Diggs, Charles C.*

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I feel that this is a little unusual. Maglione did not tell me what it was wanted for.

Could I have a rec on this, please.

Many thanks.

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iel (Chappie) James,
son and Chairman Rivers
r in Vietnam.

k some photographs of
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of each will be suf-

ficient.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours

Ralph J. Maglione
RALPH J. MAGLIONE *x 6656*
Colonel, USAF
Chief, House Liaison Office
US House of Representatives
B-320, Rayburn Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

HAROLD BAREFOOT SANDERS / *May 1st*

October 8, 1968

Dear Charlie:

For me, one of the real highlights of this post has been the opportunity it has given me to know and work with the members of Congress.

As the session draws to a close, I want you to know that I have enjoyed our association and value your friendship.

I hope that the future will bring you every happiness and success.

Best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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October 29, 1968

Dear Charlie:

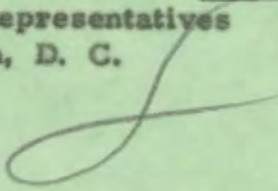
This will acknowledge your recent letter
to the President in behalf of Air Force
Colonel Daniel "Chappie" James, Jr.

Your interest is appreciated, and you may
be sure that your comments will be given
careful consideration.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



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November 1, 1968

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Dear Charlie:

As you come down to the wire in your re-election campaign, I want to wish you every success.

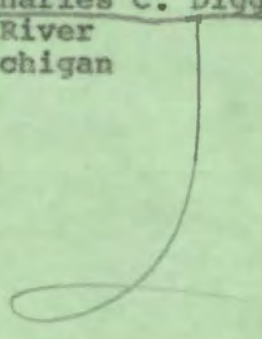
I hope that you will have a decisive and smashing victory next Tuesday.

Very best of luck and warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Barefoot
Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
6523 Grand River
Detroit, Michigan



November 20, 1968

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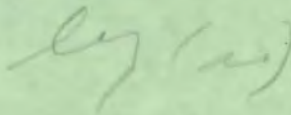
Dear Charlie:

Please accept my congratulations on your re-election to Congress.

This has been an eventful decade in the legislative history of our Nation. I know you are proud to have had a part in those achievements.

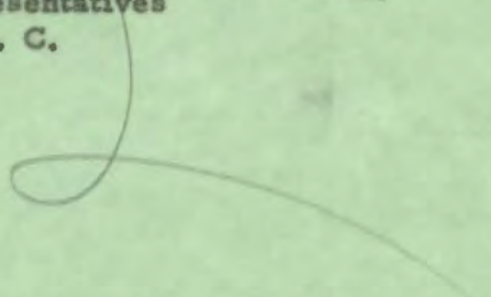
The future will demand no less of us. Your voice -- and your vote -- will be needed.

Sincerely,



Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

GENERAL

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To: Colonel Bernard T. Franck III
Chief, Office of Legislation and Liaison
National Selective Service System

Date: November 22, 1968

ACTION REQUESTED

- ☐ Draft reply for:
☐ President's signature.
☐ Undersigned's signature.

☐ Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.

*XXXX Direct reply.
XXXXXX Furnish information copy.

- ☐ Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
☐ Furnish copy of reply, if any.
☐ For your information.
☐ For comment.

NOTE

Prompt action is essential.

If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

REMARKS:

*Congressman Diggs' letter of July 11, 1967, was referred to you on August 8, 1967, for further reply.

Description:

☐ Letter: ~~XXX~~ Telegram: Other:

To: The President
From: Cong. Charles C. Diggs
Date: November 21, 1968
Subject: The composition of Selective Service Boards in Mississippi.

By direction of the President:

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

CONGRESSIONAL

November 22, 1968

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Dear Charlie:

Thank you for your letter of November 18 to the President expressing your interest in the application for a national bank by a group in Detroit, Michigan, filing under the name "First Independence National Bank."

We are glad to have your comments and to know of your concern with this application. Your endorsement will have careful attention.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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HAROLD BAREFOOT SANDERS / May Sent / D^r

December 2, 1968

Dear Charlie:

Happy Birthday!

I want to join with your many friends in hoping that this is a very special day for you and that good health, much happiness and great success will be yours in the coming years.

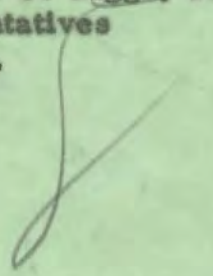
Every good wish.

Sincerely,

Barefoot

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel
to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



December 2, 1968

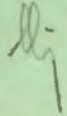
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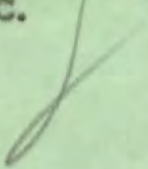
I hope your birthday is full of joy and that the years ahead are happy and healthy ones.

You have made a great contribution to the Congress and to the American people. I am especially grateful for your tireless work and energetic service to the government. You have helped move America forward -- toward realizing its highest ideals.

Congratulations on forty-six splendid years, and warm wishes.

Sincerely,


Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.


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By messenger

EXECUTIVE

December 26, 1968

GI/

Dear Congressman:

The President wanted you to have this copy of his 1963 Memorial Day speech at Gettysburg -- "On this Hallowed Ground."

In this speech, the then Vice President declared:

Until justice is blind to color, until
education is unaware of race, until
opportunity is unconcerned with the color
of men's skins, emancipation will be a
proclamation but not a fact.

I believe that one sentence, more than any other,
sums up the goals for human rights that he sought
to achieve during his Administration.

Because you helped him pursue those goals, the
President sends this parchment as a token of his
deep gratitude -- and with his best wishes for a
Happy Holiday Season.

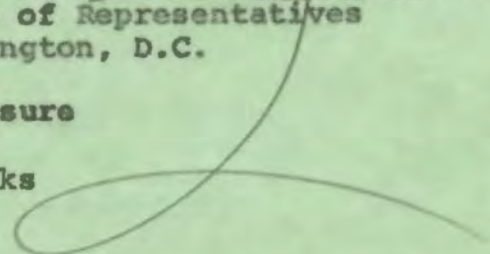
Sincerely,

Harry C. McPherson, Jr.
Special Counsel to the President

Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

GENERAL

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To: Secretary of Defense
c/o CWO Percy Long

Date: January 3, 1969

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☐ Undersigned's signature.
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- ☒ Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
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REMARKS:

Description:

Letter: ☒ Telegram: ☐ Other: ☐
To: Mr. Barefoot Sanders
From: Congressman Charles Diggs
Date: Promotion of Colonel Daniel James - telegram dated 1/2/69
Subject:

By direction of the President:

Barefoot Sanders
Legislative Counsel to the President

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January 17, 1969

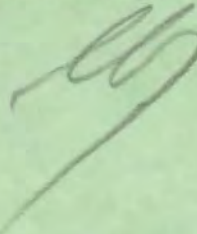
Dear Charlie:

One of the great rewards of the Presidency is the support of concerned and responsible Americans such as you.

I am sure all our fellow citizens are grateful to you, as I am, for helping to chart a course of true progress.

You have my very best wishes for the future.

Sincerely,



Honorable Charles C. Diggs, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

LBJ:RLH:plr

