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January 14, 1965

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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FO4-1

Mr. Hayes Redmond
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Hayes:

The copy of the attached letter to the President from Senator Paul H. Douglas has just crossed my desk. It strikes me that this probably should be appended to the memorandum sent over on Admiral John Harllee.

It is possible that your efficient White House filing system has already accomplished this. Either way I am sure this material should be of interest to John Mac in weighing the qualifications of Admiral Harllee's candidacy.

Fondest regards,

Mike Trupp
Myer Trupp, Director
Office of International
Affairs and Relations

February 3, 1965

GENERAL

MEI-2/5*

Dear Congressman:

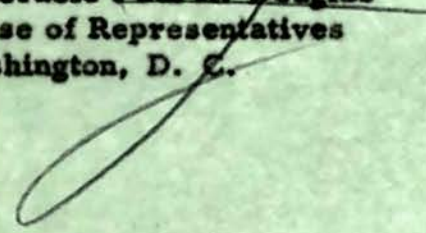
In response to your request of February 2, I have made arrangements for the President's personal card of congratulations to be sent to Mr. Charles A. Sheppard, who will celebrate his 90th birthday on March 26.

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 Paul H. Douglas
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.



jl/jf

GENERAL

HO/N*

February 6, 1965

Dear Senator:

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 4th enclosing a copy of a resolution adopted by the African-American Heritage Association requesting the President to proclaim February 7-14 as **★Negro History Week.**

While the interest that prompted this request is certainly appreciated, I would like to explain that under a practice of long standing it is not customary for the President to issue proclamations unless authorized and requested by the Congress to do so. There are many requests for proclamations and except in unusual circumstances it has been a wise policy to act upon advice of the Congress. The President would, I am sure, be pleased to issue this proclamation if requested to do so by the Congress.

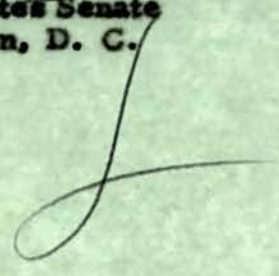
With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

MM/ncsa



GENERAL
FG635

February 8, 1965

Dear Senator:

I have received your letter of February 1, 1965 with the enclosed copy of the Warren Report from Commissioner Holzman.

We regret that it will not be possible to comply with the Commissioner's request as it is felt that because of the content of the book it would not be appropriate to do so. We feel sure he will understand.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

John J. McHally, Jr.
Staff Assistant

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure
(Box returned to Senator.)

(Corres. to Central Files after being routed through Mr. O'Brien's office.)

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GENERAL

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 PR 2-2/5**

February 10, 1965

Mrs. Juanita Roberts
 Personal Secretary to
 President Johnson
 The White House
 Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

I am enclosing a Valentine from Julie Sweet*
 of Peoria, a little girl that President Johnson kissed
 while campaigning there. She would like the President
 to receive her Valentine and would like the President's
 autograph.

I am also enclosing a letter from Fred Schraeder,*
 County Chairman of the Peoria County Democratic Central
 Committee and numerous newspaper clippings telling
 of the President's visit and what a great event it
 was for Julie.

Anything you can do for Julie will be appreciated
 by her parents, the County Chairman and of course, by
 me.

With best wishes.

Faithfully yours,

Paul H. Douglas
 Paul H. Douglas

PHD/czp

Nothing else sent to
 Central Files as of 11-23-65

GENERAL

February 11, 1965

SP2-3/NR/Pu/D*

Dear Senator:

The President was pleased to have your telegram of February 8 regarding his reference to the Indiana Dunes National Lake shore in the Message on Natural Beauty, and has asked me to express his deep appreciation for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

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Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

GENERAL

G12-15/P*

February 15, 1965

Dear Senator:

This is in further response to your letter of the 4th to Mr. O'Brien concerning Mrs. Evelyn Rozanski's request for an appointment with the President for representatives of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Polish Legion of American Veterans while they are in Washington from February 15th to 17th, and preferably on the 17th.

I wish it were possible to say yes to Mrs. Rozanski's request but with the heavy official demands on the President at this time, it is simply impossible to add this engagement to his calendar.

We hope you will express the President's thanks for their interest and thoughtfulness in wanting to come in and make a presentation, together with his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate

Washington, D.C. copy for Senator enclosed with outgoing)

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February 5, 1965

Dear Senator:

May I acknowledge your letter of February 4 enclosing Mrs. Evelyn Rozanski's request for an appointment with the President for the Ladies Auxiliary of the Polish Legion of American Veterans on February 17, at which time a "Krakowianka Doll" would be presented.

I will be glad to refer this request to the President's appointments secretary for consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

j1/jf

February 17, 1965

Dear Mr. Campbell:

Paul H. I have the copy of your letter to Senator Douglas and the reproduction of the newspaper article about the proposed repeal of Section 14 (B) of the Taft-Hartley Act.

I shall be glad to show these to Mr. Johnson at the earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry,
Assistant

Mr. Carl Campbell
1826 North Springfield Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

ACP:rm

February 18, 1965

GENERAL

UAA-1

Dear Senator:

The President appreciated your telegram of February 17 following your six-day trip to thirteen counties in Illinois. He has asked me to thank you for your report, and to express his gratitude for your encouragement.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

jl/az

UPI-10

(FILIBUSTER)

WASHINGTON--A LEADER OF THE SENATE LIBERAL BLOC SAID TODAY THE CHAMBER'S FILIBUSTER RULE MUST BE CHANGED THIS YEAR SO THE ADMINISTRATION'S PLANNED VOTING RIGHTS PROPOSALS CAN BE PASSED WITHOUT LONG AND BITTER DEBATE.

SEN. PAUL H. DOUGLAS WARNED THAT UNLESS THE RULE WERE CHANGED THERE WOULD BE "A BITTER AND PROTRACTED FILIBUSTER WHICH... WILL GREATLY RETARD THE MOMENTUM OF PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S PROGRAM FOR THE GREAT SOCIETY."

THE ILLINOIS DEMOCRAT TESTIFIED BEFORE A SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE HOLDING HEARINGS ON SEVERAL PROPOSALS TO CHANGE THE FILIBUSTER RULE. A MAJORITY OF TWO-THIRDS OF THE SENATORS PRESENT AND VOTING IS NEEDED NOW TO CUT OFF DEBATE.

SEN. A. WILLIS ROBERTSON, D-VA., VOICING THE FEELINGS OF SOUTHERNERS, TOLD THE SUBCOMMITTEE THAT IMPOSITION OF CLOTURE ON THE WIDE-RANGING CIVIL RIGHTS DEBATE LAST YEAR WAS PROOF THAT NO CHANGE IN THE RULE WAS NEEDED.

"...SINCE 1957 THREE CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS HAVE BEEN PUT THROUGH THE SENATE WITHOUT A TOUGHER CLOTURE RULE, AND THE LAST ONE -- IN 1964 -- WAS SO."

"I-INCLUSIVE THAT I CANNOT IMAGINE WHAT FURTHER LEGISLATION IN THIS FIELD COULD BE JUSTIFIED," ROBERTSON SAID.

2/23--GE910A

UPI-11

(SNOOPING)

WASHINGTON--A LITTLE-KNOWN POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT PRACTICE CALLED "MAIL COVER" COMES UNDER SCRUTINY TODAY FROM A SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE INVESTIGATING SNOOPING IN GOVERNMENT.

MAIL COVER CONSISTS OF EXAMINING ALL DELIVERIES TO AN INDIVIDUAL AND NOTING THE INFORMATION ON THE ENVELOPES OR PACKAGE WRAPPINGS. THE MAIL IS NOT OPENED AND THE COURTS HAVE UPHOLD THE LEGALITY OF THE PRACTICE, BUT THERE HAVE BEEN COMPLAINTS OF INVASION OF PRIVACY.

THE SUBCOMMITTEE, HEADED BY SEN. EDWARD V. LONG, D-MO., CALLED CHIEF POSTAL INSPECTOR HENRY B. MONTAGUE AND LOUIS J. DOYLE, THE DEPARTMENT'S CHIEF COUNSEL, TO TESTIFY AT TODAY'S SESSION.

2/23--GE913A

FCC CONFERENCE, 9:00 A.M.:

LICENSE RENEWAL, WOOK, WASHINGTON, D.C.

FCC HEARING, 10:00 A.M.:

NEW TV STATION AT HENDERSON/BOULDER CITY, NEV.

FCC ARGUMENT, 10:00 A.M.:

POWER CHANGE TO KWER, ROCHESTER, MINN.

2/23--GE838A

UPI-3

EXECUTIVE

FG 400/MC

February 24, 1965

Dear Senator:

It was mighty good seeing you last night. I hope that you feel as I do that these small meetings with the President are of great value to us all.

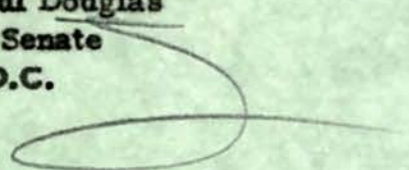
Just let me know if there is ever anything I can do for you.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.

JV:ny:aca



February 27, 1965

Dear Senator:

This is in response to your letter to me concerning the desire of the School Band from the Western Community Unit School, Buda, Illinois, to see the President when they are in Washington on June 13th.

I'm very sorry it was not possible to send a favorable reply in this regard but the President's official schedule simply will not allow for appointments of this kind, much as he would enjoy them. I have written Mr. Vance Hamann, Superintendent of the School, accordingly and enclosed, for your information, is a copy of my letter.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention, and best regards.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

JV:hc

GENERAL

SP/FG 430 Douglas, Paul H.

March 1, 1965

Dear Howard:

Many thanks for your letter of February 26th and the enclosures. I shall see to it they are seen by those concerned.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

**Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President**

**Mr. Howard Shuman
Administrative Assistant to the
Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**

mm/ncaa

March 2, 1965

GENERAL

PR 6-1/2*


Dear Senator:


The President and Mrs. Johnson have asked me to send you the enclosed photograph as a memento of a very pleasant evening.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President


Honorable Paul Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure


CJD/CJR/nf

GENERAL

VA 4-1

LG/Swright

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20420


March 4, 1965

CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR

Mr. Lee C. White
Associate Special Counsel to the President
The White House

I am sending you a copy of a letter which I have just dispatched to Senator Paul Douglas. He is having a press conference at 2:30 p.m. with Governor Kerner of Illinois to announce that the State of Illinois, Department of Welfare, wants to take over the Veterans Administration Hospital, Dwight, Illinois, for use as a State mental institution.


W. J. DRIVER
Administrator

Enclosure

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March 5, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter including correspondence you have had with Mr. Sol Polk regarding his deep interest that Mr. David Sarnoff be considered by the President's Awards Board and by the President for the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

As you probably know, the next announcement of this Medal will occur on July 4th. Thus, the Awards Board will meet in about two months time and the President will then make his decisions before July. I think that it is an established practice that there be no previous announcement of these Presidential Awards. However, I can assure you that your interest will be brought to the attention of the Committee and of the President himself.

Sincerely,

Frederick L. Holborn
Special Assistant in the
White House Office

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

FLH:MB
CC: Mr. Holborn and Central Files

EXECUTIVE

SP2-3/HU2-7/Pro/10*

March 17, 1965

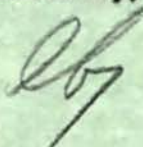
Dear Paul:

Your telegram was a bright and happy event in my day.

Of course I am glad that you heartily approved of what I had to say. There really can be no argument about the position that I have taken for there are few issues before the people of this country that are so rooted in rightness - constitutionally, morally, and humanly.

Thank you, my dear friend, for your very kind words.

Sincerely,



LYNDON B. JOHNSON

★
Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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GENERAL

HU 2/ST1

March 24, 1965

Dear Senator:

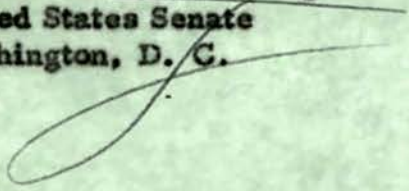
The President appreciated your comments about the handling of the difficult situation in Alabama, and has asked me to thank you for your thoughtful telegram of March 22.

Your commendation of the reappointment of Commissioner Ross was also very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



j1/jf

EXECUTIVE

MEI-2/11*

March 26, 1965

Dear Paul:

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,

★
Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

LBJ:LOB:JL/jf

Lawrence F. O'Brien *message put in* *

March 26, 1965

Dear Senator:

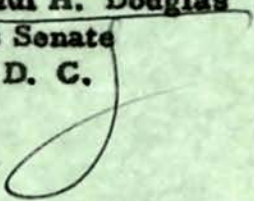
I want to take this opportunity to extend to you my heartiest greetings on your birthday. May you enjoy good health and every happiness today and for years to come.

With congratulations and best wishes for many happy returns of the day,

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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GENERAL

ME 1-2/5*

March 30, 1965

Dear Senator:

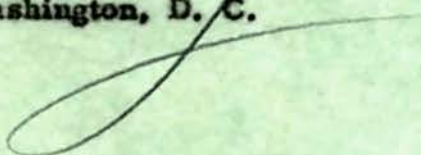
In response to your request for a 100th birthday greeting for Mrs. Desta Stassinger, we are delighted to advise you that the President has sent his personal card of greetings to Mrs. Stassinger. He was happy to extend his congratulations on this remarkable occasion.

Assuring you of our desire to be of all possible assistance to you and your constituents,

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



jl/jf

Executive Office of the President
Council of Economic Advisers

4/2/65

GARDNER ACKLEY

NOTE FOR THE PRESIDENT

Wright
I carried out your instructions by
calling Chairman Patman and Senators
Paul Douglas and Gore.
attn

J All three were delighted by the in-
formation I gave them, and asked me to
extend their thanks to you for so informing
them.

Gardner Ackley
Gardner Ackley

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EXECUTIVE

PR 6-1/3*

April 3, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President was pleased to grant your request and I am happy to send you the enclosed autographed picture for presenting to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stockholm.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 8x10 of P. auto: "To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stockholm, WBW..."

CJD/cJR/fef

March 12, 1965

Dear Senator:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of recent date in which you requested an autographed picture of the President for Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stockholm. I shall be pleased to bring this request to the President's attention. However, this may take some time due to his heavy schedule. You may rest assured that I will be happy to send you the picture as soon as it is signed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

CJD/CJR/nf

EXECUTIVE

FG 400\MC

April 6, 1965

Dear Senator:

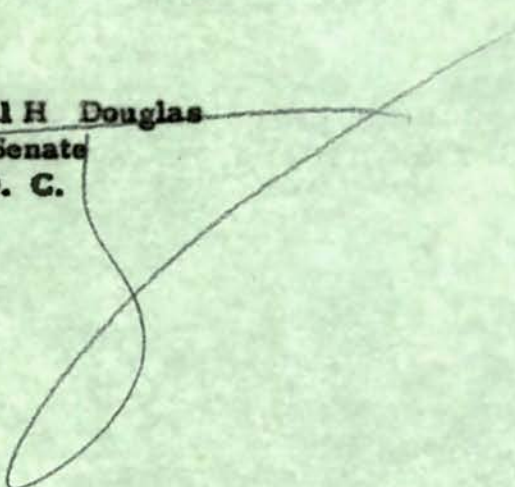
The President invites you to attend an off-the-record briefing on Tuesday, April 13 at 6 P. M. Please use the Southwest Gate entrance to the Mansion. Parking will be provided on the South Grounds of the White House.

This briefing is restricted to members of the Senate and the President is hopeful you will attend.

Sincerely,

**Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President**

**Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**



CJD jam

April 12, 1965

CONGRESSIONAL

Dear Mrs. Wilcoxen and Mr. White:

Senator Douglas has contacted us about your interest in having the VIT Chorus and Band meet the President when visiting Washington on July 5 and 6.

I'm very sorry indeed to send a disappointing reply. Much as the President would enjoy greeting this fine group and the many other school groups who ask to meet him when they visit here, his official schedule is constantly so heavy that it will not allow him that pleasure.

He is grateful for your interest in asking, though, and sends best wishes for a most enjoyable visit in the Nation's Capital.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Mrs. Vesta Wilcoxen
Choral Director
Mr. Gary L. White
Band Director
VIT High School
Table Grove, Illinois

P.S. You are welcome to visit the White House, of course, and a schedule of the tour hours is enclosed.

cc: Honorable Paul H. Douglas 

April 17, 1965

EXECUTIVE

PR 6-1/G*

Dear Senator:

The President was pleased to grant your request and I am happy to send you the enclosed autographed picture for presenting to Mr. Bob Goldman.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: Photo of P. auto with sign. only.

CJD/CJR/nf

Saul [★]Goldman

April 5, 1965

Dear Senator:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter in which you requested an autographed picture of the President for Bob Goldman. I shall be pleased to bring this request to the attention of the President. However, this may take some time due to his heavy schedule. You may rest assured that I will be happy to send you the picture as soon as it is signed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

CJD/CJR/nf

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 21, 1965

EXECUTIVE

FG 11-2/A

PRB-1/M*

FG 719

PR 7
PRB-1/M**

Boggs, Hale (Mrs.)

SIMPSON, Jim

Douglas, Paul

Amer. Field Service

MR: PRESIDENT:

- AS
1:30
- (1) John McCone (through Bundy) hopes to have one last meeting with you just before you swear in Rayborn. He is very hopeful that he can do this Wednesday afternoon or Thursday. (Apr. 27-28)

Do you want to hold the swearing in of Rayborn (if he is confirmed at that time) on Wednesday afternoon or Thursday and see McCone ahead of time?

Yes ☒

No ☐

- 11:30
Apr 29
- (2) ~~FRANK E. MOSS~~ Senator Moss is anxious to bring in the young girl who won the contest sponsored by the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped (she wrote a winning essay on why companies should hire handicapped persons - her father is handicapped). This would take but a few minutes and I think would make an appealing picture that would be beneficial. Do you choose to do this?

Yes ☒

No ☐

- (3) Dr. James Perkins whose Committee is working with David Bell on new ideas in the AID program is very anxious to have David Rockefeller on this group. Rockefeller is agreeable to serving - but must get off the Committee of White House Fellows.

I heartily recommend that Rockefeller serve on Perkins' Committee as this is far more important to your over-all program. Do you agree?

Yes ☒

No ☐

gv talked to macy
about this
4/26/65

April 23, 1965

Dear Senator Douglas:

Because of the President's policy regarding acceptance of gifts, I am returning the very handsome clock that you recently sent to him.

I am confident of your understanding, and hope you will explain to Mr. John Riano, and those he represents, why this is necessary. Please make them know that the President is nonetheless appreciative of their thoughtful gesture.

With the President's every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure Westclox ret'd.

JDR/lf/mpb

Gift

*
United Mine Workers

EXECUTIVE

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 27, 1965

Mr. President:

Senator Douglas answered
ticker tape report on No. 92.
Cliff Carter made the original
information available to Senator
Douglas.

Marvin

Attachment

EXECUTIVE

PRG-1/A *

May 29, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President was pleased to grant your request and I am happy to send you the enclosed autographed picture for presenting to Mr. Grover J. Allen. *

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 8x10 auto: "WBW"

CJD/CJR/nf

May 14, 1965

Dear Senator:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter in which you requested an autographed picture of the President for Mr. Grover J. Allen. I shall be pleased to bring this request to the attention of the President. However, this may take some time due to his heavy schedule. You may rest assured that I will be happy to send you the picture as soon as it is signed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

gah/

May 3, 1965

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EXECUTIVE

ME 1-3/G *

Gorey, Thos. V., Jr.

Dear Mrs. Gorey:

Paul H.

Through my good friend, Senator Douglas, I have just learned in recent days of the passing last summer of your husband, after his long, useful and exemplary life.

I realize that no words, coming now, can ease the loss and loneliness you must feel. But at the same time it must be a source of strength and comfort to realize that in his years on this earth, your husband contributed so much, so constructively to the strength of our Nation both through his role in the founding of the American Legion and in his career of public service to the State and the Nation.

The high sense of dedication and loyalty of men like Thomas Gorey has made our Nation great and strong, privileged to bear the burdens of defending freedom and peace in our time. I pray that those who are inheritors of this trust -- may faithfully meet our responsibilities through all the challenges and perils that lie ahead.

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
Carbons stamped in
Mr. Thomas' Office

Mrs. Rose V. Gorey^x
816 Douglas Street
Joliet, Illinois

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LBJ:HB:gbk

EXECUTIVE

May 3, 1965

Dear Paul:

**Thank you for passing on to me the information
Mr. Thomas V. Gorey, Jr., of Joliet sent about
his distinguished father. I have written to him
and to his mother, as you requested.**

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
Carbons stamped in
Mr. Thomas' Office

**Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**

LBJ:HB:gbk

Checked by Kardex

CONGRESSIONAL

April 29, 1965

Dear Senator:

Jack Valenti has asked me to acknowledge your letter of April 27 forwarding for consideration the request made by Mr. Thomas V. Gorey, Jr., for a Presidential letter to his mother, Mrs. Rose V. Gorey, regarding the recent death of his father, who was one of the founders of the American Legion.

We appreciate your calling Mr. Gorey's letter to our attention, and have asked that his request be given consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

May 4, 1965

Dear Senator:

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.

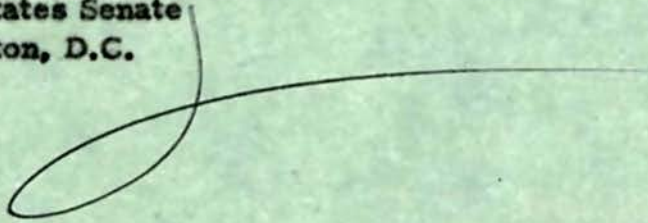
With best regards,

Sincerely,

Larry

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.



EXECUTIVE

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May 4, 1965

Dear Senator Douglas:

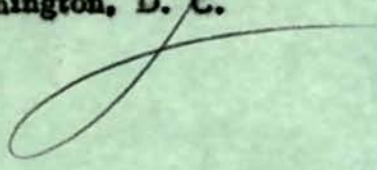
The President has asked me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in inserting into the Congressional Record of April 28, 1965 the editorial from the Washington Daily News.

He is deeply grateful for all your efforts-- and for your support.

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant to
the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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CONGRESSIONAL

Mr. Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Larry:

If it is found to be appropriate, a congratulatory telegram from the President for the 60th anniversary of the Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital would be very much appreciated. By chance, the anniversary falls on May 9th, National Hospital Day.

The Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital is a 360 bed privately owned hospital in Hinsdale, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. If it is possible to send a greeting, it should be addressed to Mr. M. Donovan Oswald, Field Representative, Hinsdale Sanitarium and Hospital, 120 North Oak Street, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521.

With thanks for your consideration of this request, and my best wishes,

Faithfully yours,

Paul H. Douglas

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EXECUTIVE

PR6-1/T *

May 8, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President was pleased to grant
your request and I am happy to send
you the enclosed autographed picture
for presenting to Mr. Louis Thuringer. *

With best wishes,

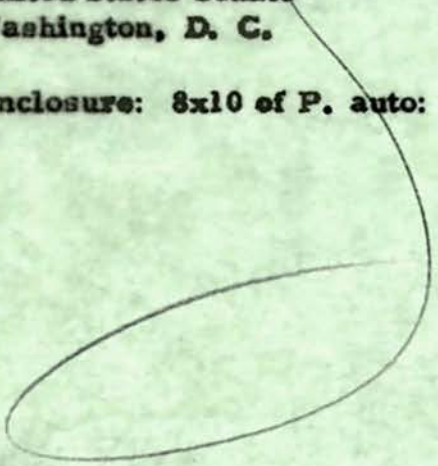
Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 8x10 of P. auto: "To Louis Thuringer, WBW..."

CJD/CJR/nf



April 26, 1965

Dear Senator:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter in which you requested an autographed picture of the President for Louis Thuringer. I shall be pleased to bring this request to the attention of the President. However, this may take some time due to his heavy schedule. You may rest assured that I will be happy to send you the picture as soon as it is signed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

GENERAL

PR 8-V/F*

May 19, 1965

Dear Senator:

This is in further response to your letter of the 12th to Mr. O'Brien concerning the visit of the Illinois Future Farmers of America group to Washington and their hope to meet the President. *

I'm very sorry indeed to send a disappointing reply in this regard. The President would like very much to be able to greet these young people and the many others who ask to meet him when they are, but unfortunately, his always heavy official schedule simply will not allow him this pleasure.

As to the Vice President, it is suggested that he be contacted directly in the matter. Knowing the many demands on him and all those of his official family, the President is reluctant to ask them to undertake appointments. Rather, he feels they should be free to coordinate their own schedules.

We thank you for bringing this request to our attention and sincerely regret the reply cannot be a favorable one.

With warm good wishes,

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

JV:hc

May 14, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of May 12 expressing your hope that the President will be able to meet the forty Future Farmers of America representing the top eight chapters in the State of Illinois when they visit Washington June 29 and 30.

I am calling to the attention of the President's appointments secretary your interest in the request for an appointment which was made by Mr. Ken Cheatham, Director of Young People's Activities, Illinois Agricultural Association.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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GENERAL

PR 20

May 21, 1965

Dear Mr. Uta:

This is to acknowledge your letter to me about the forty members of the Illinois Future Farmers of America chapters and their trip to Washington on June 29 and 30. I appreciate your writing me in this instance.

We are pleased this group is to visit the White House on the morning of the 29th. Senator Douglas wrote us about this group also and asked if they might see the President when they visited here. As you will note from the attached, however, we had to tell him this could not be worked out because of the heavy schedule.

Please tell this group that if there is anything they feel I might be able to do for them while they are here to let me know.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

**Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President**

**Mr. Kenneth R. Uta
Assistant to the Governor
Springfield, Illinois**

Attachment

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Paul H. Douglas



EXECUTIVE

MEI/W*

June 1, 1965

* Wissing, Leo

Dear Senator:

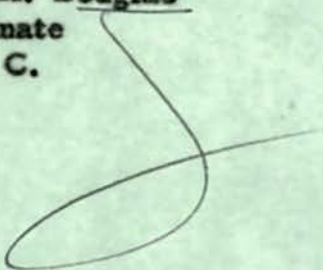
I am happy to enclose the attached
Presidential message which was sent
in response to your recent request.

Assuring you of our desire to be of all
possible assistance,

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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NIGHT LETTER May 29, 1965

**Rt. Reverend Monsignor Lee Wissing
c/o Mr. Joseph P. Stremiau
R.F.D. 2
Box 170
Mendota, Illinois**

I WAS EXTREMELY HAPPY TO LEARN THROUGH SENATOR DOUGLAS THAT YOU ARE TODAY CELEBRATING THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR ORDINATION INTO THE PRIESTHOOD, AND IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN YOUR MANY FRIENDS AND WELL WISHERS IN EXTENDING TO YOU WARM GREETINGS AND HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS.

MAY YOU FIND A SENSE OF FULFILLMENT IN THE YEARS GONE BY, AND IN THOSE TO COME BLESSINGS AND JOYS IN ABUNDANCE.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

**CC: MR. Holborn and Central Files
Jean Lewis (with cong. copy)**

May 12, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of May 11 regarding the request made by State Representative Joseph P. Stremkau for a Presidential message to the Right Reverend Monsignor Leo Wissing on the 50th anniversary of his ordination as a priest.

I am placing this request in the proper channels for attention, and am asking that it be given every consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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TR62

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June 3, 1965

TO: Marvin Watson

FROM: Larry O'Brien

The following Member of Congress will accompany the President to Chicago:

Senator Paul Douglas (one way only)

Return to Washington

Congressman Sid Yates (one way only)

Because of Floor scheduling in House Democratic Members of the House will fly out to Chicago commercially.

cc: ✓ Jack Valenti
Col. Mike Cook
Secret Service

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GENERAL

PR6-2/D*

June 5, 1965

Dear Senator:

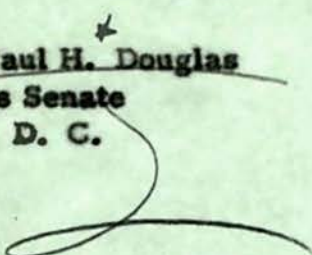
This will acknowledge receipt of your letter in which you enclosed an Inaugural certificate to be autographed by the President for one of your constituents. Unfortunately, the volume of such is so numerous that the policy concerning such matters does not permit compliance with your request.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
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June 1, 1965

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Mr. Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Larry:

I am enclosing the letter which I received from State Representative William Redmond of Bensenville, Illinois on behalf of R. Milton Carleton, Director of Research for ~~Vaughan's~~ Garden Research Center in Wheaton, Illinois. Mr. Carleton is interested in working with the President's program to preserve America's natural beauty and I would appreciate it if he could be given all proper consideration.

With best wishes.

Faithfully,



Paul H. Douglas

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Enclosure



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Vice-Chairman

GENERAL ASSEMBLY
STATE OF ILLINOIS
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

April 26, 1965

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
Senator
United States Senate Office Building
Washington 25, D.C.

My dear Senator:

R. Milton Carleton, Director of Research for Vaughan's Garden Research Center, Cantigny, Wheaton, Illinois, is interested in being considered by the President in connection with the proposed program for preserving the beauty of America.

I am enclosing some documents which are self-explanatory. If there is any way that Dr. Carleton could be of service, it would be deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

William A. Redmond

WAR:cfv

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

ROUTE SLIP

(To Remain With Correspondence)

TO Mr. Orren Beaty
Special Assistant to the Secretary
Department of the Interior

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ENCOUNTERED, PLEASE TELEPHONE
OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Date June 4, 1965

FROM THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT

Ltr fr: Sen. Paul H. Douglas

ACTION:

Comment

Draft reply for undersigned's signature

XXXX 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

See below

Remarks:

By direction of the President:

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President
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GENERAL

TR 62

June 2, 1965

My dear Senator:

I have just now received the President's schedule for his trip to Chicago. Because of important meetings here in the White House, he will be unable to depart for Chicago until the late afternoon tomorrow which will let him arrive in Chicago just in time for his meeting with Mayor Daley and the Fund Raising Dinner.

This unhappily precludes him from visiting the JOBS project in Chicago. Perhaps, as you suggest, he may be able to do this at another time.

The President is very grateful to you for this suggestion, and I know that you will understand better than anyone the heavy demands on his time.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
Congress of the United States
Joint Economic Committee
Washington, D.C.

JV:ny

June 10, 1965

Dear Senator:

This is with further reference to your letter to Larry O'Brien about Mr. Franz Greiser of West Germany who is anxious to see the President when he is in Washington on September 13.

The President is very sorry he must have me tell you he will be unable to see Mr. Greiser and his associates. Much as he would like to be able to receive them, he already is committed to a very heavy schedule in September and anticipates added demands because of pending matters. He assures you of his thanks for your interest and thoughtfulness in contacting him in this regard, nevertheless.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

JV:HC:pap

May 24, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of May 21 regarding Mr. Franz Greiser's interest in arranging an appointment with the President for himself and a group of advertising and marketing men from West Germany, who plan to visit Washington next September.

I am calling your inquiry to the attention of the President's appointments secretary so that your interest in this request may be considered.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Senator Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

CONGRESSIONAL

JUN 11 1965

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Dear Senator Douglas:

Your June 1 letter to Mr. Lawrence F. O'Brien, Special Assistant to the President, referring a letter from State Representative William Redmond of Bensenville, Illinois, on behalf of Dr. R. Milton Carleton, Director of Research for Vaughan's Garden Research Center, in Downers Grove, Illinois, has been forwarded to us for reply.

The White House Conference on Natural Beauty was held May 24-25, here in Washington, D. C. A list of Conference delegates includes the name of Dr. Carleton, so he apparently was present during the sessions.

Dr. Carleton's interest and background certainly seem to qualify him to contribute much to the future programs which President Johnson promised in his "Message on Natural Beauty of Our Country" which was delivered to Congress on February 8, 1965. We enclose a copy of the text of the Message for Dr. Carleton's use.

Sincerely yours,

(sgd) Stewart

Secretary of the Interior

Hon. Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Enclosures:
Mr. Redmond's correspondence
Message on Natural Beauty

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Date June 4, 1965

FROM THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT

Ltr fr: Sen. Paul H. Douglas

ACTION:

Comment

Draft reply for undersigned's signature

XXXX 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

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Remarks:

By direction of the President:

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

June 17, 1965

Dear Senator:

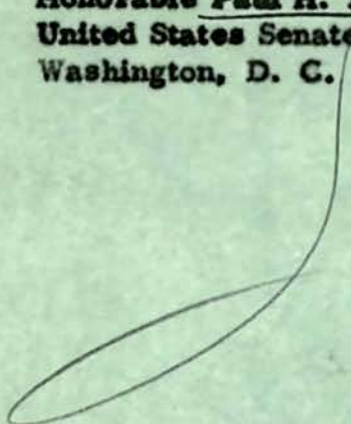
The President wishes to express his gratitude for your generosity in placing an editorial on the balance of payments situation from the Alliance Review in the Congressional Record of June 16, 1965.

He deeply appreciates your support.

Sincerely,

**Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant to
the President**

**Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**



EXECUTIVE

PS 11-3

June 22, 1965

Dear Senator:


The President appreciated your letter of June 21 in which you referred to his comments on signing the excise tax reduction bill.

As the President indicated, very careful study will be given to the use of the automobile excise tax which the Congress decided to retain, and certainly your recommendation that this tax be used to finance a program for the disposal of junked automobiles will be given serious consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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GENERAL

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June 22, 1965

Dear Senator:

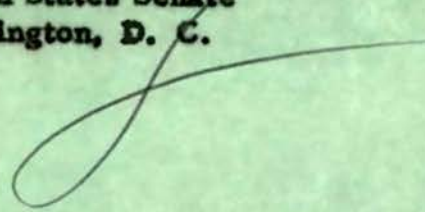
Thank you for your letter of June 21 expressing your hope that the President will again this year issue a Captive Nations Week Proclamation.

In accordance with Public Law 86-90, a copy of which you thoughtfully enclosed, the President intends to proclaim Captive Nations Week and we anticipate that the Proclamation will be issued in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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June 24, 1965

Hon. Lyndon B. Johnson
President of the United States
White House
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Hon. William Moyer
Special Assistant to the President

Dear Bill:

Enclosed is a letter on de Gaulle that I have just sent to Sen. Douglas. There are some suggestions in it that might be helpful.

With kindest personal regards, I remain,

Your friend,

Paul
Frank
Frank B. Gigliotti, D. D.
Past National Commander
Regular Veterans Association
of the U. S.

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and organize a group of people to make noise until Mr. de Gaulle hears our voices because there is no reason under the sun why we should be giving him money that rightfully belongs to us. If they have so much money to do all the things that they are doing, then they have some money to pay on the great indebtedness which has been owed to the U.S. by the people of France.

May the Lord bless you in the things that you are doing. If there is anything that I can do, you know that my interest has not diminished or gotten cold.

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GENERAL

PR 6-1/D*

June 26, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the attached photographs when you attended the signing ceremony of H. R. 8371, An Act to reduce excise taxes, and for other purposes taken recently at the White House.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Attachments: 2 photos -- No. 194-4
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OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PLANNING
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

GENERAL

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

July 12, 1965

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Douglas, Sen. Paul

MEMORANDUM FOR MARVIN WATSON

The President has or will receive an invitation from Mr. William J. Kuhfuss, President, Illinois Agricultural Association, inviting him to speak at its golden anniversary celebration on January 26, 1966. This would be an awfully good spot for a farm speech and would build some good will among the farm groups that we might need down the road somewhere.

I suggest that he give serious consideration to accepting the invitation.


Buford Ellington

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* University of Illinois (Urbana, Ill.) 7/13

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July 12, 1965

Dear Senator:

Your note on the request of the Illinois Agricultural Association is certainly appreciated.

As you know, it is too early to determine the President's January schedule, but I will keep the request in mind and let you know if anything can be arranged.


With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

The Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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WASHINGTON, MONDAY, JULY 12, 1965

No. 125

Senate

TRUTH IN LENDING

Mr. DOUGLAS. Mr. President, once again I rise to introduce my bill requiring full disclosure of the costs of personal credit. This bill—the truth in lending bill—is being introduced for the fourth time. I introduced similar legislation in the 86th, 87th, and 88th Congresses. I must admit to some disappointment over the failure thus far of Congress to enact this much needed reform legislation. However, I learned long ago that any essential reform opposed by powerful segments of American industry requires years of intensive effort before it results in a victory for the public interest. And so I console myself with the thought that the original Food and Drug Act of 1907 was passed only after it had met with the most intense opposition from many of the food and drug companies. It was only after public indignation had been fully aroused that the Congress was able to enact even the most modest requirements to insure that foods and drugs marketed were safe and sanitary.

Many years later the truth in securities legislation of the 1930's was passed over the vehement protest of the New York financial community. The president of the New York Stock Exchange, Mr. Whitney, opposed this reform in testimony before the Banking and Currency Committee—the same committee that has been considering the truth in lending bill. Mr. Whitney as I remember it, predicted that if brokerage houses were required to tell the truth, that is, if they made a full disclosure of the salient facts about the stocks which they offered for sale to the public, the stock market would collapse. Mr. Whitney pleaded, in effect, that the stock market could continue to operate only so long as the gullible could be duped into buying stocks on the basis of misinformation and fraud.

The truth in securities legislation did not wreck the stock market. Instead, it became the salvation of reputable stock brokers and brokerage houses.

These same arguments against the full disclosure of essential information have again come to the surface as we have considered the truth-in-lending bill. Lenders have solemnly and self-righteously warned the Banking and Currency Committee that if we were to pass legislation to require the full disclosure of the

fore they can be signed into law. I am delighted to say that there are substantial segments of the personal credit industry that do support the truth-in-lending bill. I simply wish that more of the reputable members of the industry, such as the commercial bankers, would join in supporting this kind of reform legislation.

It is unfortunate, however, that powerful segments of the consumer credit industry habitually oppose any legislation to establish ethical standards and protect the honest and efficient competitor in the industry. In spite of this opposition, the principle of truth in lending has been proposed in a number of States and foreign countries and I understand gradual progress is being made. For example, the Canadian Province of Nova Scotia has recently passed an act requiring the finance charge and simple annual rate of interest to be disclosed on all credit transactions. It is ironic that a reform measure first proposed in this country has now been copied and enacted into law in another country, while we here are struggling to gain a foothold here.

I. WHAT THE BILL DOES

Mr. President, the basic purpose of the truth-in-lending bill is to require that anyone who lends money or extends credit must supply the would-be borrower or credit user with two simple but vital facts:

First. A statement of the total finance charge in dollars and cents; and

Second. A statement of the finance charge expressed in terms of a true annual rate on the outstanding unpaid balance of the obligation.

The bill does not attempt to regulate or control the rate of interest or the cost of credit.

The bill would enable the typical consumer to compare the cost of credit from various sources and make an intelligent decision. It would also assist him in deciding whether or not to borrow, pay cash, or save toward the purchase instead.

Suppose, for example, a man wants to borrow \$1,500 to finance the purchase of a car. Assume he goes to two lenders and the first states the payments will be \$53.40 a month over 36 months while the second quotes payments of \$60 over 30 months. Which credit plan is the cheapest? How can the buyer

to at least state the quantity and the price on the package. We expect the butcher to list the price per pound for the meat he sells. We expect the gasoline dealer to disclose the price per gallon he charges for gasoline. We expect food stores to post the price for milk per quart at the retail level. Why should not we expect the lender or credit extender to post his price in a similar fashion?

The price of credit has traditionally been expressed as a true annual rate on the unpaid balance. Most loans on homes have always been expressed in this manner as have interest rates on business transactions. Interest rates on savings accounts in commercial banks are expressed in terms of true annual rates. So are short-term interest rates to businessmen to finance payrolls and the purchase of raw materials. It is only when we turn to the short-term consumer credit field, that we find a departure in the time-honored method of expressing the price of credit. Why should we permit the seller of credit to be less honest with the unwary public than he is with the experienced businessman? Why should not these lenders state the amount of interest they are charging and its price in the form of an annual rate of interest or charge? Who could possibly object to such an elementary prerequisite of fair dealing?

It was with this simple conviction that I introduced the original truth-in-lending bill over 5 years ago.

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Since that time the Banking and Currency Committee has held extensive public hearings on truth in lending. In the last Congress alone, we heard from 135 witnesses and the record of their testimony runs to more than 1,600 pages. We heard from bankers and bus drivers—from mayors and crane operators. We have listened to numerous tales of interest gouging and shady practices, some of which were truly shocking, even to the most skeptical observers.

Throughout these long and detailed hearings, an endless series of technical objections were raised by those who opposed the bill. As these were disposed of, new ones arose to take their place. The opponents of truth in lending have an infinite capacity for conjuring up mythical situations where they claim the bill might be somewhat difficult to ap-

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1965
Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

June 1965

Paul H
Senator Douglas sent me this. In it he supports the closing of the Dwight, Illinois VA hospital. It is mighty fine. You may want to congratulate him on it some day.

Harry

Harry C. McPherson, Jr.

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New Beds

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Paul H. Douglas

GENERAL

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July 16, 1965

Dear Senator:

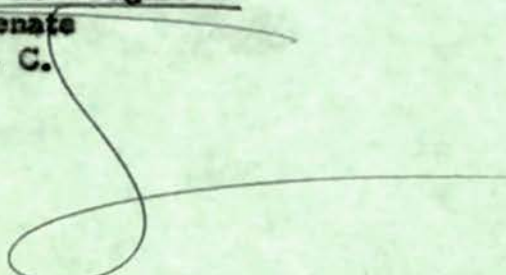
Thank you for your letter of July 13 to the President in which you were joined by other Members of the Senate and House in urging that he disapprove the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act.

You may be sure that your letter will be before the President when this measure comes to him for action.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



July 19, 1965

GENERAL

PR 6-1/2*

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed picture taken when he signed H. R. 3708, the Older Americans Act, at the White House on July 14.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

★
Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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July 19, 1965

GENERAL

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Dear Senator:


Thank you for your letter of July 16 to the President regarding the decision to close the Dwight Veterans Administration hospital.

The President appreciated your giving him an opportunity to see the careful and detailed explanation of this decision which you gave your constituents and which, of course, was extremely helpful in bringing about the high degree of acceptance indicated by the favorable response to your newsletter.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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EXECUTIVE

PR13-1/D 7

July 23, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you
the attached pen used when he signed
S. 2080, the Silver Coinage Act.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

*
Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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CJD/CJR/elb

GENERAL

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July 22, 1965

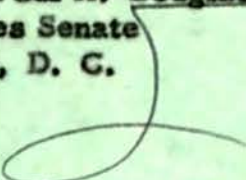
Dear Senator:

Thank you for sending to the President a copy of the Chicago Daily News' recent interview with you. It is on his desk, and I know he will be extremely interested in what you had to say.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



jl/jf

July 26, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President views the Congressional Record as one of the most important means of communicating ideas. He sincerely appreciates items that are put in the Record which lend support to his program, both foreign and domestic.


Therefore, he has asked me to convey to you once again his gratitude for several insertions you have made in the Records of June 23, July 6, July 9 and July 23.

Sincerely,

Larry

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant to
the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



GENERAL

July 27, 1965

PPS/Adlai Stevenson
Douglas, Paul

Dear Mr. Merwin:

Thank you for your letter of July 22nd.
I think the idea is quite interesting and
will see that the proper persons are
aware of it.

Sincerely,

Bill Moyers
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Loring C. Merwin
Publisher
The Daily Pantagraph
Bloomington, Illinois
61702

EXECUTIVE

WH14-1

July 28, 1965

Dear Senator:

**The President has asked me to send you
the attached Flight Certificate.**

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

**Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President**

**Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**

Enclosure: Flight Certificate of June 3, 1965 to member

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 29, 1965

CONGRESSIONAL

MEMORANDUM FOR LARRY O'BRIEN

FROM: Mike Manatos *M.M.*

Clinton P.
The record should show I acknowledged Senator Anderson's letter to the President on Social Security by telephone conveying the President's appreciation for his suggestions regarding the signing of the Medicare bill. Senator Anderson was very pleased and of course looks forward to attending the signing of the bill on which he spent the most years of his legislative life.

Wilbur D. Mills
Paul Douglas

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August 2, 1965

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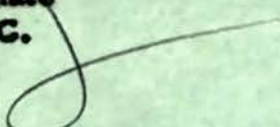
Dear Senator:

Bill Moyers has asked me to thank you for calling to our attention your support of the suggestion that the proposed national highway 51 be named the Stevenson Memorial Highway. We appreciate your letting us know of your approval of this proposal.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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GENERAL

PR6-1/2*

August 4, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the attached photograph taken when he signed H. R. 6673, the Medicare Bill, in the Truman Library, Independence, Missouri.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. [★]~~Douglas~~
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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Enclosure: A986-3

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George E. Reedy / *msg - Rec'd / D**

August 5, 1965

Dear Senator:

This is the first chance I have had to answer your warm note and I want you to know how grateful I am for your good wishes. I go into surgery next week and I hope that the doctors can come up with a brand new pair of feet.

Sincerely,

GEORGE

George E. Reedy
Press Secretary
to the President

The Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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GENERAL

HOLA*

August 5, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of August 3 regarding the possibility of the President's issuing a proclamation to designate the week of November 1-7 as ^{*}American Art Week.

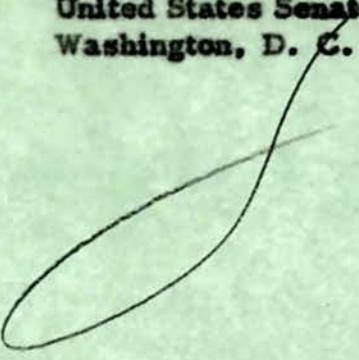
As a general rule, the President issues proclamations only when authorized and requested to do so by Congressional resolution. If the Congress should approve an appropriate resolution, the President would, of course, be happy to proclaim American Art Week.

I am returning Mrs. Frank F. Goss' letter for your files.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



jl/jf

August 9, 1965

Dear Senator:


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 Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.



Enclosure

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August 9, 1965

TO: Marvin Watson

FROM: Claude Desautels

EXECUTIVE

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The following people have accepted the invitation to attend the signing of the Housing and Urban Development Act, 8/10/65.

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey

SENATORS:

MANSFIELD, Mike

LONG, Russell B.

SMATHERS, George A.

ROBERTSON, A. Willis

SPARKMAN, John J.

DOUGLAS, Paul H.

MUSKIE, Edmund S.

LONG, Edward V.

TOWER, John G.

BENNETT, Wallace F.

HICKENLOOPER, Bourke B.

NEUBERGER, Maurine B.

MONDALE, Walter F.

THURMOND, Strom

CONGRESSMEN:

Speaker John W. McCormack

ALBERT, Carl

BOGGS, Hale

PATMAN, Wright

BARRETT, William A.

ASHLEY, Thomas L.

MOORHEAD, William S.

STEPHENS, Robert G.

St. GERMAIN, Fernand

GONZALEZ, Henry B.

REUSS, Henry S.

WIDNALL, William B.

FINE, Paul A.

DWYER, Florence P.

McGRATH, Thomas

HANSEN, J. R.

ANNUNZIO, Frank

HALPERN, Seymour

BROCK, W. E.

TALCOTT, Burt L.

CLAWSON, Del

HONSON, Albert

MIZE, Chester L.

MULTER, Abraham

MINISH, Joseph

WELTNER, Charles

NANNA, R. T.

GRABOWSKI, F.

WHITE, C. I.

GETTYS, T. S.

TODD, P. H.

OTTINGER, R. L.

CABELL, E.

COAN, Carl A. S.

BARRIERE, John E.

LINDLEY, Jonathan

NELSON, Paul

IRELAND, Casey

FINK, Orman S.

WEAVER, Robert C.

SOMERS, Milton P.

SLAYTON, William L.

STILL, Richard L.

BROWNSTEIN, Philip N.

McGUIRE, Marie

BAUGHMAN, J. Stanley

SCHUSSHEIM, Morton J.

MURRAY, Robert W.

SPECTOR, Sidney

SMITH, Charles M.

FOARD, Ashley A.

BARCIA, Joseph J.

MALONEY, Philip N.

NIBLACK, Monte Ray

PETERSON, Neal D.

WILLITS, Perry, Nat'l Assn. of Home
Builders

BLACKMAN, Larry

WEINER, Leon N.

CLARK, Lloyd E.

BOUTIN, Bernard

LINNEHAN, John L.

ABELSON, Norman

MORGAN, Robert M., Nat'l Assn. of Mutual
Savings Banks

SCHWULST, Earl B.

KEITH, Nathaniel S., Nat'l Housing Conf.

HENDERSON, Laurance G., Joint Council on
Housing and Urban Deve.

MEANY, George, AFL-CIO

BIEMILLER, Andrew W.

SHISHKIN, Boris

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The President has asked me to invite you to the signing of the Herbert Hoover National Historical site Bill on Thursday, August 12 at 11:30 A.M. Please present yourself at the Northwest Gate no later than 11:15 A.M. Would you please advise me by return wire if your schedule will permit you to attend.

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

AIKEN, George D.
ALLOTT, Gordon
ANDERSON, Clinton P.
BARTLETT, E. L.
BASS, Ross
BAYH, Birch
BENNETT, Wallace F.
BIBLE, Alan
BOGGS, J. Caleb
BREWSTER, Daniel B.
BURDICK, Quentin N.
BYRD, Harry Flood
BYRD, Robert C.
CANNON, Howard W.
CARLSON, Frank
CASE, Clifford P.
CHURCH, Frank
CLARK, Joseph S.
COOPER, John Sherman
COTTON, Norris
CURTIS, Carl T.
DIRKSEN, Everett McKinley
DODD, Thomas J.
DOMINICK, Peter H.
DOUGLAS, Paul H.
EASTLAND, James O.
ELLENDER, Allen J.
ERVIN, Sam J., Jr.,
FANNIN, Paul J.
FONG, Hiram L.
FULBRIGHT, J. W.
GOBE, Albert
GRUENING, Ernest
HARRIS, Fred R.
HART, Philip A.
HARTKE, Vance
HAYDEN, Carl
HICKENLOPER, Bourke B.
HILL, Lister
HOLLAND, Spessard L.
HRUSKA, Roman L.
INOUE, Daniel K.
JACKSON, Henry M.
JAVITS, Jacob K.
JORDAN, B. Everett
JORDAN, Len B.

KENNEDY, Edward M.
KENNEDY, Robert F.
KUCHEL, Thomas H.
LAUSCHE, Frank J.
LONG, Edward V.
LONG, Russell B.
MAGNUSON, Warren G.
MANSFIELD, Mike
McCARTHY, Eugene J.
McCLELLAN, John L.
McGEE, Gale W.
McGOVERN, George
McINTYRE, Thomas J.
McNAMARA, Pat
METCALF, Lee
MILLER, Jack
MONDALE, Walter F.
MONRONEY, A. S. Mike
MORSE, Wayne
MORTON, Thruston B.
MOSS, Frank E.
MUNDT, Karl E.
MURPHY, George
MUSKIE, Edmund S.
NELSON, Gaylord
NEUBERGER, Maurine
PASTORE, John O.
PEARSON, James B.
PELL, Claiborne
PROXMIRE, William
RANDOLPH, Jennings
RIBICOFF, Abraham
ROBERTSON, Willis A.
RUSSELL, Richard B.
SALTONSTALL, Leverett
SCOTT, Hugh
SIMPSON, Milward L.
SMATHERS, George A.
SMITH, Margaret Chase
SPARKMAN, John
STENNIS, John
SYMINGTON, Stuart
TALMADGE, Herman E.
THURMOND, Strom
TOWER, John G.
TYDINGS, Joseph D.

GENERAL

PR6-1/2*

August 11, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the attached, taken at the Capitol when he signed S. 1564, the Voting Rights Bill of 1965.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 339-17A

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

EXECUTIVE

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August 12, 1965

Mr. President:

Sometime back you asked me to check on your pulling Senator Douglas' coat-tail when he wanted to make a speech on the minimum wage.

I talked with Frank McCulloch, who was Douglas' Administrative Assistant at that time, in an effort to recall this incident. Frank reported that he recalls that during this period of time there were two matters before the Senate, both of which were different from the Eisenhower program. One of these was the minimum wage which the Senate increased from 90¢ to \$1 and the other was ARA. His recollection was that these two bills were up on succeeding days and he does recall that you had to keep Senator Douglas from making a speech when you were ready to move on the minimum wage. His recollection was really that this could have happened because he well remembers your desire to keep the debate as short as possible.

McCulloch also recalled that after both measures were acted upon, you and Senator Douglas were together and Douglas' comment was "with my program and your legislative skill, we could go a long way."

Jake
Jake Jacobsen

Thursday, 8/12/65
2:44 p.m.

*Check record in Senate
the day the min wage passed & see if
Douglas didn't back recognition just
before passage - N*

Orig. to Mrs Zierke

GENERAL

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August 12, 1965

Dear Senator:

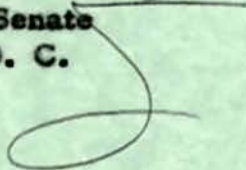
The President has asked me to let you know how much he appreciated your telegram of August 11 regarding the appointment of Charles Simpson to the Tax Court.

With the President's warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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GENERAL

PR 6-1/2*

August 17, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the attached photograph taken when he signed H. R. 7984, An Act to assist in the provision of housing for low and moderate income families.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 331-34

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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EXECUTIVE

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MR
August 17, 1965

Mr. President:

Please note pages 7872-7873 of the attached copy of the Congressional Record of June 8, 1955. This relates to the matter of Senator Douglas seeking additional time to speak on the Minimum Wage Bill. *Paul*

As usual, you are correct -- he did seek recognition for additional time just before passage.

Jake
Jake Jacobsen *i*

Tuesday, August 17, 1965
7:00 p.m.

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EXECUTIVE

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August 23, 1965

Dear Paul:

I can't tell you how much I appreciate the fact that you gave up the opportunity to attend "Paul Douglas Day" at the Illinois State Fair in order to be present for the last of a series of votes on the proposed Governor's Amendment to the Poverty bill. I am not surprised that you did so, because it is this spirit of devotion to principle which has won you a unique place in the Senate. But I couldn't let this occasion pass without conveying my personal thanks.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,



Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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August 23, 1965

The President has asked me to invite you to the signing of the Public Works and Economic Development Bill on Thursday, August 26 at 9:30 A.M. Please present yourself at the Northwest Gate no later than 9:15 A.M. Would you please advise me by return telegram if your schedule will permit you to attend.

L.F.O'B., Special Assistant to the President

HAYDEN, Carl
MANSFIELD, Mike
LONG, Russell B.
SMATHERS, George A.
BAYH, Birch
BOGGS, J. Caleb
COOPER, John Sherman
DOUGLAS, Paul
FONG, Hiram L.
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MONTOLA, Joseph M.
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BLATNIK, John A.
FLOOD, Daniel J.
CLARK, Frank M.
CLAUSEN, Don H.
DORN, W. J. Bryan
DYAL, Ken W.
EDMONDSON, Ed
EVERETT, Robert A.
FALLON, George H.
FINO, Paul A.
GETTYS, Tom S.
GONZALEZ, Henry B.
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HALPERN Seymour

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August 24, 1965

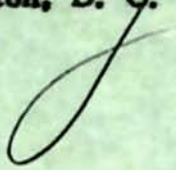
Dear Senator Douglas:

I want to thank you warmly for your letter of August 17. I am delighted to have it, because I share your view that the Times sees this whole problem through somewhat foggy lenses. Certainly my good friend, Ned Kenworthy, had no reason to take offense.

Sincerely,

McGeorge Bundy

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



GENERAL

PRB-2

August 28, 1965

**MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL SOUTHWICK
Special Assistant to the Secretary
for Congressional Relations
Commerce Department**

FROM: Mike Manatos

**Would you be good enough to arrange for
someone in Commerce to see the people
referred to by Senator Douglas. Thanks.**

Paul H.

**Copy to:
Ed Hamilton
National Security Council**

MM/ncaa

August 21, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of August 17 regarding the possibility of arranging for a member of the President's staff to meet with Mr. Franz Greiser and a group of German advertising and marketing men.

I will be glad to check into this and will let you know what can be arranged.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

j1/jf

August 31, 1965

MR. PRESIDENT:

The following is being done:

1. Larry is getting Senator Paul Douglas to insert into the record your three speeches on Civil Rights.

The National Committee will order reprints of these. They will be easy to read but simply printed without colored pictures or pictures of any kind. They have a mailing list of 45,000.

2. We will also print an attractive booklet of these same three speeches with colored pictures and imaginatively designed. We will order approximately 5,000 of these for similar use as the other speech booklets.

Is this what you had in mind when you discussed it with me this morning?

Yes _____ No _____

Jack Valenti

JV:sb

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September 3, 1965

CONGRESSIONAL

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of the 1st written on behalf of Mr. J. C. Pease and Mr. O. A. Feldon and their interest in having the President attend the opening ceremonies at the Machine Tool Builders Show in Chicago on September 20th.

The President appreciated this cordial invitation very much but regrettably, his schedule did not allow for an acceptance.

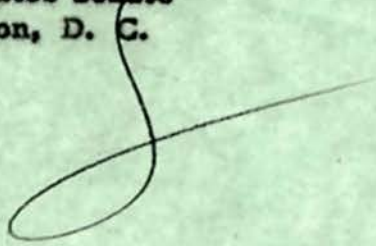
We thank you for your expression of interest in the matter and are sincerely sorry the reply could not be a favorable one.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



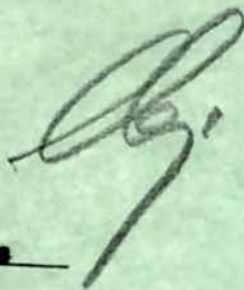
September 4, 1965

Dear Paul:


You spoke of my civil rights addresses with an unmatched verve and eloquence.

You know better than most how close to my heart is this cause. I can't thank you enough for your kindness.

Sincerely,



Honorable Paul Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



LBJ:JV:mw

GENERAL

September 7, 1965

MEH-3-1-3/S*

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of September 2 expressing your interest in the request made by the Reverend Harold C. Skillrud for a Presidential message on the occasion of the dedication of St. John's Lutheran Church in Bloomington.

I am asking that every consideration consistent with policies governing Presidential messages be given to complying with this request.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

September 8, 1965

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The following will attend the signing of the Housing and Urban Development Bill, Thursday, September 9, 1965.

The Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey

SENATORS:

BENNETT, Wallace F.
CURTIS, Carl T.
DOUGLAS, Paul H.
GRUENING, Ernest
HARRIS, Fred R.
JACKSON, Henry M.
JAVITS, Jacob K.
KENNEDY, Robert F.
LONG, Russell B.
McCLELLAN, John L.
McINTYRE, Thomas J.
MANFIELD, Mike
MONTGOMERY, Joseph M.
MUSKIE, Edmund S.
NEUBERGER, Maurine B.
PROXMIRE, William E.
RIBICOFF, Abraham A.
SMATHERS, George A.
WILLIAMS, Harrison A., Jr.

CONGRESSMEN

ANNUNZIO, Frank
ALBERT, Carl
ASHLEY, Thomas L.
BARRETT, William A.
BLATNIK, John A.
BROOKS, Jack B.
BYRNE, James A.
CALLAWAY, Howard H.
DAWSON, William L.
DICKINSON, William L.
DOW, John G.
DWYER, Florence P.
FASCELL, Dante B.
FINO, Paul A.
GALLAGHER, Cornelius E.
GARMATZ, Edward A.
GETTYS, Tom S.
GONZALEZ, Henry B.

GRABOWSKI, Bernard F.
GURNEY, Edward J.
HALPERN, Seymour
HANSE, John R.
HARDY, Porter, Jr.
HARVEY, James
HELSTOSKI, Henry
HOLIFIELD, Chet
HORTON, Frank J.
JOHNSON, Albert W.
JONES, Robert E.
KING, David S.
LATTA, Delbert L.
McGRATH, Thomas C.
MacDONALD, Torbert H.
McCORMACK, John W.
MINISH, Joseph G.
MINISH, George
MONAGAN, John S.
MOORHEAD, William S.
MOSS, John E.
MULTER, Abraham J.
PATMAN, Wright
REID, Ogden R.
REUSS, Henry R.
ROSENTHAL, Benjamin S.
ROUSH, J. Edward
RUMSFELD, Donald
ST. GERMAIN, Fernand J.
STANTON, J. William
STEPHENS, Robert G., Jr.
SULLIVAN, Leonor K.
TALCOTT, Burt L.
TODD, Paul H., Jr.
WELTNER, Charles L.
WHITE, Compton I.
WIDNALL, William B.
WRIGHT, Jim
BARRIERE, John E.
BURROWS, Kenneth W.

September 8, 1965

Dear Senator:

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 Paul Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: Pen used in signing H. R. 4822

CJD/CJR/med

Jack,

Call him and thank him.

LBJ/mf
9-4-65
11:45p

*Have call
w/ro Dodd*

*Called Dodd
9/8/65
Jv*

COMMITTEES:
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EXECUTIVE
ND19/CO312
CONGRESSIONAL

September 2, 1965

Personal

Dear Mr. President:

I thought you would be interested in the enclosed documents.

This all came about as a result of an article written by E. W. ^xKenworthy for the New York Sunday Times of July 25.

^x Senator Paul Douglas then sent the enclosed telegram to the Times, and Kenworthy's letter to Senator Douglas is also enclosed.

Finally, the Times said it couldn't print Senator Douglas' telegram because the whole subject matter was "out of date." !!

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Tom Dodd
THOMAS J. DODD
^x

Enclosures

*Paul Douglas doesn't want to
do anymore and I guess he is
right.*

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EXECUTIVE

PR13-1/D*

September 9, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed pen used when he signed H. R. 6927, An Act to establish a Department of Housing and Urban Development.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. ^{*}Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: 1 pen

CJD
cjr/jam

September 9, 1965

GENERAL

PR6-1/D*

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed photographs which were taken when he signed S. 1648, the Public Works and Economic Development Bill.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

*
Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosures: 1 copy ea of #12A and #6, 3 copies of #27A2 photographs of signing of S. 1648

CJD/CJR/jlh

GENERAL

September 13, 1965

IV1/1966/ST13 (Springfield)

Dear Senator:

This is in further response to your letter of the 2nd to the President concerning the invitation extended to him to speak at the Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Emes Lodge 67 of B'nai B'rith in Springfield next spring.

The President appreciated this cordial invitation very much but did not feel he could hold out any hope of an acceptance. I have written Mr. Lee D. Cohn accordingly and enclosed, for your information, is a copy of that letter.

Thank you for your expression of interest in the matter, and best wishes.

Sincerely,

JACK

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

JV:hc

September 7, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of September 2 forwarding for the consideration of the President the letter you recently received from Mr. Leo D. Cohn, President of Emes Lodge No. 67 of B'nai B'rith, regarding his interest in the President's attending the banquet which will be held on April 3, 1966.

Your courtesy is very much appreciated, and this correspondence is being referred to the President's appointments secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

15-6-65
CONGRESSIONAL
MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Wednesday, September 15, 1965
3:45 p.m.

EXECUTIVE

VA 4-1

LG/Hines

LG/Los Angeles

FG 300

FI 4/FG 300

FG 11-1

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FOR THE PRESIDENT

Here is Paul Douglas's anticipated letter on the Hines VA hospital.

I recommend that you call him and

- 1) thank him for his support on the Dwight, Illinois VA hospital closing;
- 2) express your concern for economy in VA operations, which he certainly shares;
- 3) hope that he will support you in the Senate if (as seems highly unlikely) an attempt is made to give Veterans Affairs Committee power over openings and closings;
- 4) say that you have not allocated some VA hospital construction funds until the general problem could be resolved;
- 5) in light of Loyola University's anxiety to begin construction and Douglas's letter, you have decided to grant this. The alternative is to write him back; but you might not want to put some of this down on paper.

There is another allocation also needed, in Los Angeles. You may want to have me do the same thing with Tommy Kuchel that I did with Douglas.

Both projects were in the 1965 budget.

Harry

Harry C. McPherson, Jr.

✓
I'll call Douglas

prepare an affirmative letter to him

call Kuchel and do the same on Los Angeles

go ahead and approve Los Angeles

see me

Nothing else sent to
Central files as of 9/27/65

Paul talked to
on phone to
Sen. Douglas
9-16-65

EXECUTIVE

JL/B*

September 18, 1965

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter of September 13 along with the clipping you enclosed concerning Master Sergeant Carl Buck. Certainly most of the credit goes to you and your able assistant, Mr. Shuman.

With warm regards,

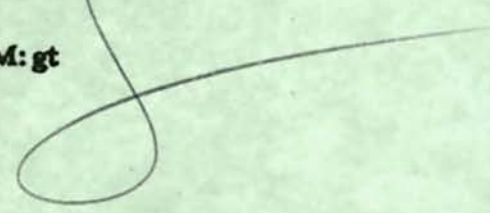
Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

H.
Honorable Paul S. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

WMW:RGM:gt



September 16, 1965

Dear Senator:

May I acknowledge your letter of September 13 to the President enclosing James McCartney's story on the pardon of Master Sergeant Carl Buck. I know he will be quite interested in seeing it, and it has been sent to his desk.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

jl/jf

EXECUTIVE

SP/6430/Douglas, Paul H.

September 23, 1965

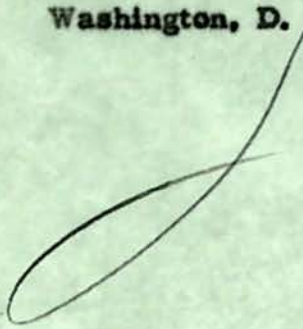
Dear Senator:

I'm almost certain the President has read your remarks on the Senate floor regarding the case of Sergeant Buck. But, just to be sure, I am sending him the tear sheets that you forwarded to me in your letter of September 21.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



j1/mm

EXECUTIVE

SP/FG 4307 Douglas, Paul H.

September 23, 1965

Dear Senator:

When errors are rectified, those who participated can only have a good feeling about the work, regardless of how hard and long it might have been. Your remarks on the Senate floor that you furnished are much appreciated.

Best personal regards,

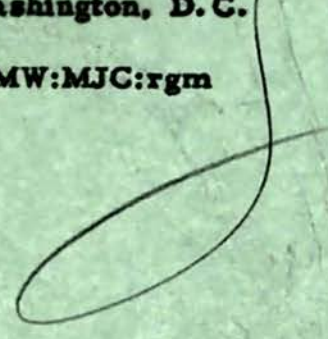
Sincerely,

Marvin

**W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President**

**Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**

WMW:MJC:rgm



GENERAL

PR 15-8

September 23, 1965

Dear Senator:

I appreciate your letter with the copy of the letter to you from the League of United Latin American Citizens in Chicago.

The letter to you mentions that they have written the President asking to use his picture. We have checked every available source here and have no record of receiving such a letter. We would be happy to expedite this letter when it is received and when we know to what use they are considering.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

WMW:JRJ:rkh

GENERAL

101/1966/ST13 (Springfield)
Douglas, Paul H. (Sen.)

September 27, 1965

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Senator:

Mr. O'Brien has passed along your letter of the 24th concerning the invitation extended to the President to speak at the 100th Anniversary Celebration of Emes Lodge 67 of B'nai B'rith in Springfield next spring.

The President was grateful for this very kind invitation but did not feel he could hold out any hope that his schedule would allow him to consider this. Accordingly, I wrote Mr. Leo Cohn, President of the Lodge, on September 2nd to express regrets. *filed same.*

We thank you for your interest in writing about this and are sorry the reply could not be a favorable one.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Everett McKinley Dirksen^x
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

JV:hc

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September 28, 1965

TO : John Clinton

FROM: Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.

Attached letter to the President with attached copy of ltr to Senator Paul H. Douglas, 9/24/65, from J. Stanley Bradbury, State's Attorney, Robinson, Illinois, recommends the Hon. Robert L. Gibson, Assistant Attorney General for appointment to fill the Federal Judgeship vacancy of the Eastern District of Illinois.

CLA:lbm

GENERAL

FG165-5

September 29, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your recent letter to John Macy concerning a successor to Commissioner Larrick of the Food and Drug Administration.

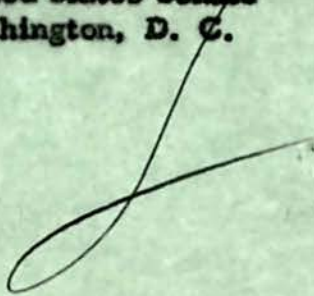
We fully agree that this is an important post, and I can assure you that the Commissioner's successor will be very carefully selected.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

**Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President**

**Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**



LFO'B:JBC:JM:bb

EXECUTIVE

September 29, 1965

PU1-2

Dear Senator:

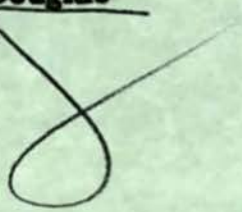
The President has asked me to convey to you his gratitude for placing in the Record of September 2, 1965 the editorial from the Chicago Sun-Times regarding his policy in Vietnam.

He deeply appreciates your support.

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



DAB:az

September 29, 1965

GENERAL

PR 13-1/2*

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed pen, which he used when he signed S. 1483, the Arts and Humanities Bill.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. ^{*}Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure

CJD/CJR/jlh

October 5, 1965

GENERAL

PR 13-1/2*

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to
send you the enclosed pen which
he used when signing H. R. 2580,
the Immigration Bill.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. ~~Douglas~~
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure

CJD/CJR/jlh

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*Paul
Douglas
11/19/66*

The White House
Washington

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

Paul
SENATOR DOUGLAS ADVISES THAT DEBATE ON 14B WILL PREVENT HIS
SCHEDULED APPEARANCE AT *X ILLINOIS* DEMOCRATIC FUND-RAISING BANQUET TONIGHT
IN CHARLESTON, ILLINOIS. THOSE ATTENDING WILL BE GREATLY DISAPPOINTED.
WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO HAVE TELEGRAM FROM YOU WHICH COULD
BE READ AT BANQUET. EXPLAINING THAT SENATOR HAS REMAINED
IN WASHINGTON TO SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION ON IMPORTANT BUSINESS

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NOW BEFORE THE SENATE

R STANLEY TYLER BANQUET CHAIRMAN 500 WEST LINCOLN.

7m
BY SPECIAL MESSENGER:

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

GENERAL

ME 4-3/C + (4)

REFERRAL

To: Department of Health, Education and Welfare Date: October 7, 1965
For: Mr. Levy

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:

On behalf of President as per Miss Hasek's conversation with Mr. Levy.

Description:

☒ Letter: ☐ Telegram; Other:

To: The President
From: R. E. ~~X~~Matuszczak, President, ~~X~~Chicago Area Council of Senior Citizens Organi-
Date: Sept. 27, 1965 zafbs
Subject: Medicare Victory Celebration, Oct. 10, ~~X~~Lane Tech High School with Honorable
Paul H. ~~X~~Douglas as speaker. Request statement from President.

By direction of the President:

James H. Moyers
Assistant to the President

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GENERAL

ME 4-3/2*

October 9, 1965

Dear Senator:

Enclosed is a picture of the President which you might want to forward to the Lulac Council for publication in their program. #300

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

The Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

WMW/JRJ/aw

Enclosure: 8x10 glossy of Pres.

October 16, 1965

GENERAL

TVI/1966/3713 (Carbondale)

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter concerning the invitation for the President to speak in Carbondale next May.

I cannot be too encouraging on this because of prior pending invitations for that day. However, it is too early to make any commitments at this time, so we are holding the invitation to review as the date draws nearer. You will be notified when a decision is reached.

With best wishes,

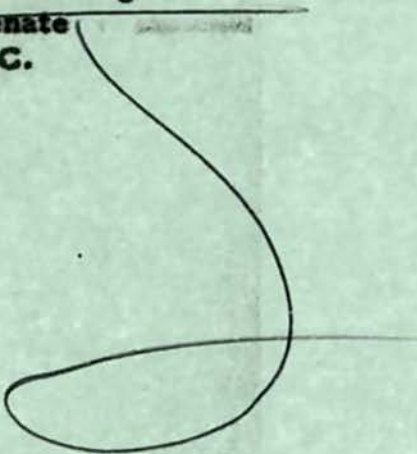
Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

WMW:JRJ:hm



October 20, 1965

GENERAL

PRG 1/Dx

Dear Senator:

I am pleased to relay the enclosed photograph taken during Sergeant Buck's visit with the President on September 24.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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CJD/dg

PA:ew

Sheet 1 of 3
October 22, 1965

TO: Marvin Watson

FROM: Claude Desautels

EXECUTIVE
LE/HI 3
HI 3
FG 145
FG 150
FG 155
FG 155-15
FG 115
FG 165
FG 11-1

The following have accepted the President's invitation to attend the signing of the Highway Beautification Bill, today, at 2:00 P.M. -- all have been instructed to enter via the N.W. Gate no later than 1:45 P.M.:

SMATHERS, George, Senator
FONG, Hiram L., Senator
GRUENING, Ernest, Senator
JORDAN, B. Everett, Senator
NEUBERGER, Maurine B., Senator
RANDOLPH, Jennings, Senator
YOUNG, Stephen M., Senator
BALDWIN, John F., Congressman
CLARK, Frank M., Congressman
DYAL, Ken W., Congressman
EDMONDSON, Ed., Congressman
GIBBONS, Sam M., Congressman
HOWARD, James J., Congressman
JOHNSON, Harold T., congressman
KEE, James, Congressman
KLUCZYNSKI, John C., Congressman
MACKIE, John C., Congressman
RIVERS, Ralph J., Congressman
ROBERTS, Ray, Congressman
TUTEN, J. Russell, Congressman
The following tentatively will attend:

SENATORS:

MANSFIELD, Mike
LONG, Russell
BOGGS, J. Caleb
DOUGLAS, Paul H.
HARRIS, Fred R.
INOUE, Daniel K.
McNAMARA, Pat
MONTROYA, Joseph M.
MURPHY, George
NELSON, Gaylord
PEARSON, James B.

CONGRESSMEN:

ALBERT, Carl
BOGGS, Hale
ASHLEY, Thomas L.
BLATNIK, John A.
CLEVELAND, James C.
FALLON, George H.
GRAY, Kenneth J.
GOVER, James R., Jr.
HALLECK, Charles A.
HARSHA, William H.

HENDERSON, David N.
KUNKEL, John C.
McCARTHY, Richard
McEWEN, Robert C.
OLSEN, Arnold
SCHMIDHAUSER, John R.
SWEENEY, Robert E.
UDALL, Morris K.
VANIK, Charles A.
MARTIN, James D.

The following Members of Congress have been invited but are unable to attend.

SENATORS:

BAYH, Birch
COOPER, John Sherman
METCALF, Lee
MOSS, Frank E.
MUSKIE, Edmund S.
McCORMACK, John, Speaker

CONGRESSMAN:

CLAUSEN, Don H.
CRAMER, William C.
DORN, W. J. Bryan
EVERETT, Robert A.
JONES, Robert E.
REID, Charlotte T.
WRIGHT, James C., Jr.
CARVER, John, Interior
PETERSON, Esther
SCHNETTKER, John A., Agriculture
BOYD, Alan S., Commerce
BRIDWELL, Lowell K., Commerce
GILES, Robert E., Commerce
McGARRY, Thomas F., Bureau of Public Rds.
SOUTHWICK, Paul, Commerce
WHITTON, Rex M.
MORRIS, Thomas D.
GARDNER, John W.
STAATS, Elmer,
FERRIN, Robert
BARNES, Irston R.
BEATTY, Marcella
BERTHELOT, Helen
BOARDMAN, Walter S.
CALLISON, Charles

October 22, 1965

EXECUTIVE

PR 13-1/D 4

Dear Senator:

The President has asked me to send you the enclosed pen which he used this afternoon when he signed S. 2084, the Highway Reauthorization Bill.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Laurence F. O'Brien
Special Assistant
to the President

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Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure

CJD/CJR/jlh

President Johnson and The White House
Staff can go Home. Douglas does it all

SENATOR DOUGLAS REPORTS

109 SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
337 U. S. COURT HOUSE, CHICAGO 4 ILLINOIS



← I am a Great --- Liar!!!

THE UNPRECEDENTED ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE 89TH CONGRESS

Dear Friends:

November 1965

I wanted to report to you on the unprecedented achievements of this Session of Congress.

In the 10 months of the first session of the 89th Congress we passed a great backlog of long overdue and much needed legislation. I would cite as the major bills passed the Voting Rights Bill, Medicare, Federal Aid to Elementary and Secondary Education, the Higher Education Bill, the Arts and Humanities Bill, one of the best housing bills in years, the repeal of most of the retail and manufacturer's excise taxes, a new immigration bill, my Economic Development Act, improvements in Social Security, the Clean Air Act, the Water Quality Act, and the Highway Beautification Act.

Drafted or Sponsored Most Major Bills

Not only was I pleased with the passage of these measures because of the great need for them, but also because they are measures which I drafted or have advocated, sponsored or co-sponsored for years.

I have always considered that one of my main functions in the Senate was to press for needed and long overdue social legislation. It takes a long time often for them to gain public acceptance. And it is also true that when they are finally passed, those who have only recently come to recognize their merits try to claim the credit for their passage. Let me give you some examples.

ITEM: In 1958 I moved to repeal most of the retail and manufacturer's excise taxes. My amendment was defeated both in the Senate Finance Committee and on the Senate floor. This year, that proposal was passed with almost unanimous support.

ITEM: In 1960, five years to the day before the Voting Rights bill was introduced in 1965, my almost identical amendment to provide for Federal Registrars to register Negroes in the South was killed in the Senate. But in 1965, most of those who voted against the proposal in 1960 voted for it, and some of them even claimed credit for the idea.

ITEM: Twice before, Medicare was beaten. Senator Anderson and I in the Senate drafted many of the provisions of those defeated Medicare bills. This year, Medicare was passed overwhelmingly.

ITEM: In the past, we have found it almost impossible to put through Federal Aid to Education which I have always sponsored and supported. Now it is law.

ITEM: My Area Redevelopment Bill was killed three times, either in the House or by President Eisenhower's veto. But it became law in 1961 and this year, my bill to extend and broaden the program was enacted into law as the Economic Development Act with only a handful of votes against it.

I am therefore doubly delighted with the record of this Congress. These programs are needed to make ours a better society. In addition, I have a sense of personal achievement in having written or sponsored most of these measures during the lean years when we were fighting for their general acceptance by both the public and the Congress.

How It Was Done

How were we able to do this? There are three reasons. First, was the public consensus that developed over the years as a result of our educational program and advocacy of

these measures. There is no question but that public opinion overwhelmingly supported these bills.

Second, this consensus reflected itself in the election of 1964 when 38 progressive and forward-looking new Democrats replaced conservative Republicans. They were joined by about 30 more Democratic progressives from the cities and countryside who, together with a handful of progressive Republicans from the East, helped us to break through the bi-partisan coalition which had dominated Congress for years.

Finally, there was the great legislative skill on the part of President Johnson. He was successful not by "arm twisting", as his opponents try to make out, but by persuasion and by attention to the needs and desires of the public. For example, his profound speech on the Voting Rights Bill, not "arm twisting", lifted that issue above partisan considerations and developed public opinion behind it to such an extraordinary degree that we were able to break the filibuster.

Progressive Measures Passed During Prosperous Period

There was one unique accomplishment for the 89th Congress. We proved that we could pass a dynamic program of constructive legislation when the country as a whole is very prosperous. This disproves the views of many political observers that when people are contented they lack the incentive to change. Americans, I am glad to say, are more rational and mature than their critics have been willing to grant.

There is no doubt but that the fiscal and monetary policies carried out by the Kennedy and Johnson Administrations have helped to create this prosperity which has helped so many people and which, incidentally, has helped this program to be enacted. We are now in the 58th month of advancing prosperity. We are producing goods and services at the gigantic rate of \$677 billion per year, an increase of \$174 billion over 1960 and \$122 billion in constant purchasing power in 1958 dollars. This is a real growth rate of 25 percent in five years--almost the highest in history--and almost twice that of the previous eight years. On a per capita basis it was at least five times as great.

Unemployment has gone down from 5.6 percent to 4.4 percent. Weekly earnings in manufacturing have risen from \$90 to \$108. Corporate profits before taxes have risen from \$50 billion in 1960 to a \$74 billion annual rate. This is a 48 percent gain. If the cynics had been right, this tremendous prosperity would have lulled people to sleep and deadened any desire for improvement.

Much Left To Be Done

We should not be content for there is much left to be done. There is need for the further purification of our air and water, for recreational space for which saving the Indiana Dunes and the development of numerous recreational facilities inside Illinois are paramount, the passage of proposals to help consumers and to raise the ethical level of selling such as my Truth-in-Lending bill and Senator Hart's Truth-in-Packaging bill. Especially, we must not forget the 35 to 40 million poor people in our country. We must try to rescue as many of these people from poverty as we possible can.

I am delighted with our record this year and I hope very much that you approve of both the legislation we passed and the part I have played in bringing it about, both this year and in the years when a small band of us developed these issues and kept them alive.

With best wishes.

Faithfully,



Paul H. Douglas

November 3, 1965

Dear Paul:

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 Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure

LBJ:JV:PB:jc

GENERAL

IV/1966/ST13 (Munt Morris)

November 12, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of November 5
along with the enclosure from Harold R. Long.

We appreciate the invitation to the President
to be speaker at the annual Fourth of July
ceremony for 1966. However, scheduling of
the President's appointments this far in
advance is not possible. We will keep this
on file and will look at it again closer to
July 4, 1966. We would suggest that Mr. Long
renew this invitation around the end of May also.

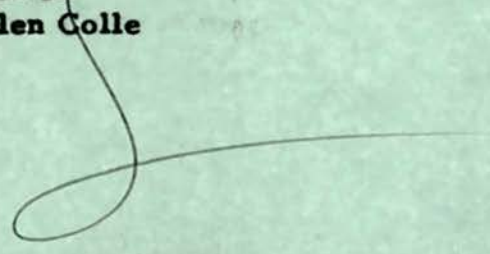
With our thanks for bringing this to our attention
and with good wishes,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.
route thru Helen Colle

WMW:RGM



November 6, 1965

Dear Senator:

Your letter of November 5th arrived this morning without the enclosure from Mr. Harold R. Long of Mount Morris, Illinois.

If you will send me this letter, I will be glad to forward it to Mr. Watson, who is in Texas.

Sincerely,

Ruby Moy

**Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.**

RM:gt

November 12, 1965

Dear Mr. Long:

Senator Douglas has forwarded your letter concerning the invitation to the President to be speaker at your annual Fourth of July ceremony for 1966 for reply.

It is not possible to schedule any appointments for the President this far in advance. We will keep your letter on file and suggest that you renew this invitation sometime around the end of May.

We appreciate your bringing this to our attention and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

**W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President**

**Mr. Harold R. Long
President, Mount Morris
Fourth of July Celebration
314 East Brayton Road
Mount Morris, Illinois
cc to Senator Douglas**

WMW:RGM

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Mr. Mike N. Manatos
Administrative Assistant to the President
The White House Office
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mike:

I am enclosing a clip from the
Chicago DAILY NEWS on the Senator's state-
ment backing the President on the aluminum
situation. I hope this was helpful.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Howard E. Shuman

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Administrative Assistant to
Senator Paul H. Douglas

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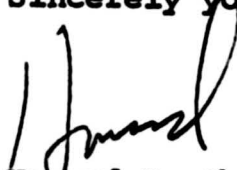
Mr. Harry C. McPherson, Jr.
The White House Office
Washington, D. C.

Dear Harry:

I wanted you to have a copy of the
Senator's most recent Newsletter. May I draw
your attention in particular to his remarks
about President Johnson's great legislative
skill on page two.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,


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Mr. Mike N. Manatos
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The White House Office
Washington, D. C.

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With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

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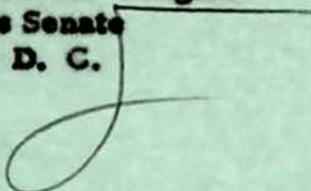
Thank you for your letter of November 10 regarding Mr. Frank McAllister's wish to attend the White House Conference on the International Cooperation Year.

I am informing the United Nations Association, which is making arrangements for the participation of private individuals in the Conference, of your interest in Mr. McAllister.

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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November 19, 1965

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of November 16 asking that an invitation to the White House Conference on International Cooperation be extended to Mr. John M. Fewkes, President of the Chicago Teachers Union.

I will be happy to forward Mr. Fewkes' name to the United Nations Association, which is making arrangements for invitations to private individuals to attend the Conference.

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

cc:
Mrs. Jeanne Singer
United Nations Association
345 East 46th Street
New York, N. Y.

jl/jf

November 19, 1965

Dear Mr. Shuman:

Thank you for your note and for bringing the Senator's remarks to my attention.

Although nothing could be farther from the truth, I fear that "arm twisting" may become permanent myth. The Senator's words will go a long way in helping to dispel this inaccuracy.

Sincerely,

Bill Meyers
Special Assistant
to the President

Howard E. Shuman
Administrative Assistant to
Senator Paul H. Douglas
Congress of the United States
Joint Economic Committee

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GENERAL

Nov. 24, 1965
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Dear Senator:

Thank you very much for writing in support of the invitation for the President to speak at Bowdoin College.

Certainly this sounds like the type of event which the President would enjoy attending. However, we are making no plans for his schedule at this time, but we are keeping this invitation on file for further action.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

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November 24, 1965

Dear Dr. Coles:

I have been asked to respond to your very cordial letter to the President telling him of the new library which has just been completed at Bowdoin College and is to be dedicated to the memory of two illustrious graduates, Hawthorne and Longfellow, and inviting him to participate in the dedication in late February.

The President is grateful for this kind and appealing invitation but in view of the extremely heavy demands anticipated in the early months of the new year, honestly does not feel he can hold out any encouragement that he can add this engagement to his calendar.

He sends his deep thanks to you and all who joined in asking him to be present on this important occasion at Bowdoin, together with his sincere regret that the reply cannot be a favorable one.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Dr. James S. Coles
President
Bowdoin College
Brunswick, Maine 04011

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December 2, 1965

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Dear Dr. LeCavallier:

I have been asked to respond to your letter of November 15th to the President about the correspondence you addressed to Senator Paul H. Douglas concerning the ~~Freedom Shrine~~ which Illinois District #1 of The National Exchange Club wishes to present to the City of Chicago and the State of Illinois.

The President is very pleased to learn of this extremely commendable project, but feels he just cannot plan to be present for its dedication. It is difficult for him to say "no" in this instance, but upon his return to the office soon following the period of his recuperation he faces an extremely heavy official schedule and anticipates even more demands upon him because of many pending commitments in the months ahead. Therefore, he is finding it necessary to decline many appealing invitations, like yours, which now are coming to him. He warmly thanks you and all those of District #1 of The National Exchange Club, nonetheless, and sends you an expression of his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Dr. Lyn ^XLeCavallier, Governor
Illinois District No. 1
The ^XNational Exchange Club
901 Grand Avenue
Waukegan, Illinois 60085

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December 7, 1965

Dear Senator:

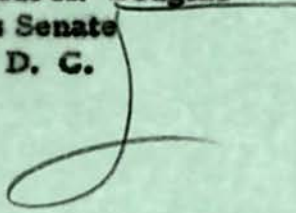
May I acknowledge your telegram of December 3 to the President commending his efforts to ward off unwarranted increases in the prices of basic materials, and commenting on the policies of the Federal Reserve Board.

The President appreciated your letting him have your comments.

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

December 10, 1965

MEMORANDUM

TO : Mr. James L. Jones
The White House

FROM: Harry^x Wilkinson, Special Assistant *HW*

After talking with you it occurred to me that a more orderly description of events might be helpful should your office get a call from Jim^x Ronan, Illinois Democratic Chairman.

On December 8, Senator^x *Paul* Douglas' office said that the DNC had contacted a Chicago committeeman to determine if I voted in the '60 election.

Jim Ronan, State Democratic Chairman, apparently interpreted the DNC query as a request for political clearance and called Senator Douglas to see if he had sponsored me. Douglas knew nothing of the appointment and, at first, thought Commerce was trying to sneak through an appointment. Senator Douglas has since been informed that no one was claiming Illinois as a political base, that I had been a resident of Michigan and had merely lived in Illinois during law school, and that the contact was a routine DNC vote check, not a request for political clearance.

I am not certain, however, if or how Jim Ronan will respond to the DNC call, or to whom. Accordingly the following information may be helpful should your office get a call from Ronan:

Residence

- a) I have lived and voted in Arlington, Virginia, since June 1961: 4667B South 36th Street, (1961 - 1964); 5809 North 9th Road, (1964 - present);

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December 14, 1965

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Douglas:

This is in response to your letter of December 9 to Bill Moyers. As you indicate in your letter, President Johnson did endorse truth-in-lending as well as truth-in-packaging as measures he hoped would be passed by the 89th Congress in his Economic Report to them. I have given your letter to Gardner Ackley for his assistance in preparing the Economic Report of the President for next year.

Sincerely,

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

cc: Gardner Ackley

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December 14, 1965

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Dear Senator:


May I acknowledge your letter of December 13 to the President suggesting several areas in which federal expenditures can be curtailed without endangering the education, anti-poverty, housing, and community programs.

Your letter will have the President's attention at his earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

^x
Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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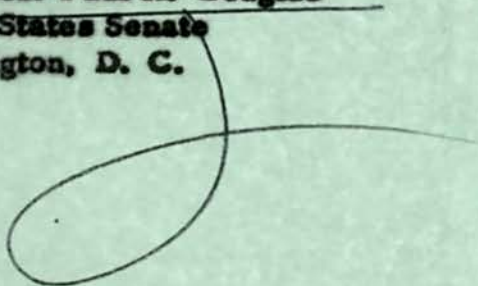
May I acknowledge your letter of December 10 to the President in which you mention the possibility of talking with him either in Texas or in Washington when you return from Mexico on or about January 7.

Your letter is being referred to the President's appointments secretary and I hope it will be possible to work something out.

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos
Administrative Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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EXECUTIVE

December 13, 1963

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Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of the 7th written on behalf of your friends in Normal, Illinois who have invited the President to deliver the Inaugural Address for the Adlai E. Stevenson Lectures on International Affairs there in February.

The President was honored to be asked to inaugurate these lectures and would like to be able to accept, if circumstances permit. We have so advised Mr. Robert G. Bone but that we are not in a position to make a commitment in the matter just yet.

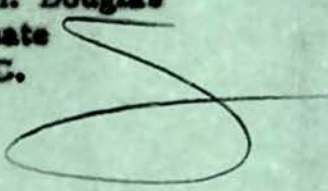
The President appreciates your expression of interest and it will certainly be kept in mind.

With warm good wishes,

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.



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December 20, 1965

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Dear Paul:

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,

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Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

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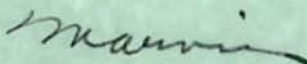
Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter and the copy of Paul O. Carr's letter to the President concerning the invitation to address the Eastern Colleges Science Conference in March.

The President has declined this appealing invitation due to heavy official demands on his schedule.

With best wishes for a Happy Holiday,

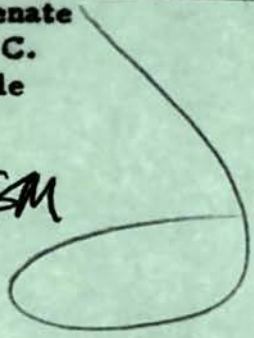
Sincerely,



W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
to the President

Honorable Paul H. Douglas
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.
cc to Helen Colle

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United States Senate

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December, 22nd, 1965

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Honorable Nicholas Johnson
 Administrator
 Maritime Administration
 General Accounting Office Building
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence Seaway link the heartland of America with the ocean highways of the world, bringing low-cost water transportation to the front door of the nation's largest manufacturing and farming area. Products of factory and farm, valued at over \$1.3 billion dollars, move through the Lakes and the Seaway to overseas customers each year to earn foreign exchange for the nation. Over \$400 million of imports -- principally raw materials for the heartland factories -- come directly to the factories of the area via the ocean, Seaway and Lakes.

Practically all of these cargoes move on foreign flag ships. American ships do not serve the Lakes even though subsidized to operate at the same cost as their foreign competitors. They have a good, selfish reason for their lack of interest in the vast flow of commercial cargo moving competitively through this area: Government cargoes reserved for American ships and moving at higher, taxpayer-subsidized rates are available to them without competitive effort. These cargoes must come to them and it is more convenient for these shipping lines to wait for these cargoes on the Eastern Seaboard. It is, however, considerably more costly for the taxpayer, who pays for an expensive overland haul which would not be necessary if the cargo moved through Great Lakes ports.

We feel that this is an undesirable state of affairs. First, from the taxpayer's point of view, the government should be getting its shipping services at the lowest feasible rate. From our interest in the health of the nation's economy, we feel that subsidized American ships should be competing for a part of the commercial cargo moving out

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