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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20410

September 23, 1965

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Lee C. White
Special Counsel to the President
The White House

SUBJECT: Essential Steps for Launching the Department of Housing
and Urban Development

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A. APPLICABLE LEGAL PROVISIONS

The Act creating the Department provides as follows:

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3. Prior to the effective date of the Act, the President may nominate and appoint the Secretary, Under Secretary, four Assistant Secretaries, and a General Counsel, all of whom are subject to Senate confirmation; and the Secretary (if confirmed or serving under a recess appointment) may appoint, with the approval of the President, an Assistant Secretary for Administration. However, these men would not enter into office until the Act becomes effective. (SEC. 11(a) and SECS. 3(a), 4(a), and 4(b))
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U. S. Senate

JAVITS, Jacob K.
MAGNUSON, Warren G.
PASTORE, John O.
PELL, Claibore
SCOTT, Hugh
TYDINGS, Joseph D.
WILLIAMS, Harrison A.
BREWSTER, Daniel B.
KENNEDY, Edward M.
BASS, Ross
CANNON, Howard W.
COTTON, Norris
DOMINICK, Peter
HARTKE, Vance
LAUSCHE, Frank J.
McGEE, Gale W.
MORTON, Thruston B.
NEUBERGER, Maurine B.
PEARSON, James B.

U. S. Congress

CHAIMO, Robert N.
HARRIS, Oren
HELSTOSKI, Henry
KREBS, Paul J.
MONAGAN, John S.
MURPHY, John M.
PATTEN, Edward J.
HENDERSON, David N.
IRWIN, Donald J.
KEITH, Hastings
OLSEN, Arnold
REUSS, Henry S.
ST ONGE, William L.
CUNNINGHAM, Glenn
DEVINE, Samuel L.
FRIEDEL, Samuel N.
JARMAN, John
PICKLE, J. J.
RONANHOUSE, Daniel J.
SPRINGER, William L.
STAGGERS, Harley O.

WATSON, Albert W.
WILLIAMS, John B.
ADAMS, John G. Wash., D.C.
AMOS, John, American Trucking Assn, Inc., Wash., D.C.
DEAN, George Baker, Harvard University Cambridge, Mass.
BARRETT, Ashton C., Federal Maritime Commission.
BARTON, Frank, Law Southern Railway System, Wash., D.C.
BEARD, Charles H., Union Carbide Corp. New York City
BEATTIE, Donald, Railway Labor Executives Assn., Wash., D.C.
BERGER, David, Phila., D.C.
BINGHAM, Colonel S.H., Consulting Engineers & Associates, New York
BORGMANN, Carl W., Ford Foundation, NYC
BRADFORD, Armory H., Regional Plan Assn, NYC
BROWN, Virginia Mae, Interstate Commerce Commission
BUDD, Edward G., Jr., Budd Company, Phila, Pa.
BURNHAM, Donald C., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pgh., Pa.
BUSH, John W., ICC., WAHS., D.C.
CARR, James K., San Francisco, Calif.
CHAFEE, John H., Providence, RI.
CHERINGTON, Paul,
Hill, James J., Harvard Business School, Cambridge, Mass.
COGSWELL, Charles L., General American Transportation Corp., Wash., D.C.
COLLINS, G. W., Natl Defense Transportation Journal, Wash, D.C.
CORSON, Dale R., Cornell University, Ithica, NY
COULTAS, Robert M., General Electric Co. Wash., D.C.
CRIPE, Alan, Farmington, Conn.

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DAVIDSON, Richard, Distribution Age, Phila., Pa.
DAY, James V., Federal Maritime Commission
DEAN, A. G., Budd Co., Phila., Pa.
DEASON, Willard, ICC
DEMPSEY, John, Hartford, Conn.
DEMPSEY, J. L., Handling and Shipping, Cleve., Ohio
DILWORTH, Richardson, Phila., Pa.
DOUGLAS, Donald, Jr., Douglas Aircraft Co., Incorporated, Long Beach, Calif.
ELLIS, George, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Boston, Mass.
ERPF, Armand G., New York City
FAIR, Marvin, American University, Wash., D.C.
FALK, Adrian, Bay Area Rapid Transit, S Fran., Calif.
FELDMAN, Myer, Wash., D.C.
FITCH, Lyle C., Institute of Public Administration, New York City
FREAS, Howard G., ICC
GILLILLAND, Whitney, Wash., D.C.
GILAMN, Roger, New York City
GOTT, Rodney, American Machine and Foundry Co., Monorail Systems, Greenwich, Conn.
GRINSTEIN, Gerald B., Wash., D.C.
GOFF, Abe McGregor, ICC
GUENTHER, John, U.S. Conference of Mayors, Wash., D.C.
HAFSTAD, Lawrence R., General Motors Corp, Warren, Mich.
HAMM, Elmer, Traffic World, Wash., D.C.
HAMMOND, Harold F., Transportation Assn of America, Wash., D.C.
HARR, Karl G., Jr., Aerospace Industries Assn of America Incorporated, Wash., D.C.
HAY, William W., University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.
HUGHES, Richard J., Trenton, N. Jer.
HUTCHINSON, Everett, National Assn of Motor Bus Owners, Wash., D.C.
HANSEN, Robert, Cambridge, Mass.
HIGH, Robert King, Miami, Fla.
HYLAND, W. F., Trenton, N. Jer.
JENNEY, Robert M., Jenney Manufacturing Co., Chestnut Hill, Mass.
JERNSTEDT, George W., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pgh., Pa.
JOHNSON, Lee S., United Aircraft Corp., Stratford, Conn.
KIMBALL, Donald A., Aerojet-General Corp., El Monte, Calif.
KIRBY, R. E., Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pgh., Pa.
KLAUDER, Louis T., Louis T. Klauder and Associates, Phila., Pa.
KOHL, John C., Wash., D.C.
JARRETT, Edward, Wash., D.C.
KENNEY, Jeremiah J., Jr., Wash., D.C.
LENNARTSON, Nils, Railway Progress Institute, Chicago, Ill.
LICH, Richard L., Railway Progress Institute, Chicago, Ill.

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LOOMIS, Daniel, Assn. of American Railroads Transportation Bldg, Wash., D.C.
LOUGHLIN, E. S., Hartford, Conn.
LUNDY, J. A., Albany, NY
LYNE, J. G., Railway Age Magazine, New York City
McCARTER, Walter J., National Capital Transportation Agency, Wash., D.C.
McCORMICK, James, Mass Bay Transportation Authority, Boston, Mass.
MARTIN, C.D., Los Angeles, Calif.
MASON, N., Boston, Mass.
MEISSNER, Edwin B., St., Louis Car Co., St. Louis, Mo.
MINETTI, W. Joseph, Wash., D.C.
MORGAN, David E., Trains, Milw. Wisc.
MURPHY, Charles S., Wash., D.C.
MURPHY, Philip, Progressive Railroading, Chicago, Ill.
MURPHY, Rupert T., Wash., D.C.
MURRAY, Gordon, Bureau of the Budget, Wash., D.C.
MOSLEY, Spencer D., General American Transportation Corp., Chicago, Ill.
MADERA, Samuel, Budd Company, Phila., Pa.
NUNES, F. L., Providence, RI.
PIASICKI, Frank N., Piasecki Aircraft Corporation, Phila, Pa.
FLOWMAN, Grosvenor E., Portland, Maine
POTTER, Orlando, Wash., D.C.
RICHTER, Frank, Modern Railroads, Chicago, Ill.
ROCKEFELLER, Nelson A., Albany, NY
ROW, Arthur, Jr., New Haven, Conn.
SCHAEFER, Genr R., Westinghouse Air Brake Company, Pgh., Pa.
SCHON, Donald, Wash., D.C.
SCRANTON, William, Harrisburgh, Pa.
SEAL, George, Sprague Steamship Co., Boston, Mass.
SIEFERT, William W., Mass. Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
SENDER, Stanton P., Wash., D.C.
SHARFSIN, J., Harrisburg, Pa.
SKLAR, A..L., Balto, Md.
SPRAGUE, Irwin H., Wash., D.C.
STEVENSON, Andrew, Wash., D.C.
STEVER, Guy, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pgh., Pa.
TAWES, J. Millard, Annapolis, Md.
TERRY, Charles, Jr., Dover, Del.
TIERNEY, Paul J., ICC
TIPTON, Stuart G., Air Transport Assn. of America, Wash., D.C.
TOBRINER, Walter N., Wash., D.C.
TUCKER, William H., ICC.
TUGGLE, Kenneth H., ICC.

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VOLPE, John A., Boston, Mass.
WAIRATH, Lawrence K., ICC
WEBB, Charles A., ICC
WITUNSKI, Michael, McDonnell Aircraft, St. Louis, Mo.
WILBANK, Sim, Wash., D.C.
BOYD, Alan, Dept. of Commerce, Wash., D.C.
BRIDWELL, Lowell K., Dept. of Commerce, Wash., D.C.
CONNOR, John T., Sec. of Commerce, Wash., D.C.
GILES, Robert, Dept of Commerce., Wash, D.C.
NELSON, Robert A., Dept. of Commerce, Wash., D.C.
REDMOND, Lawrence P., Wash., D.C.
SOUTHWICK, Paul, Wash., D.C.
WHITTACKER, Roger, New Yorker Magazine, New York City
CANHAM, Erwin, Christain Science Monitor, Boston, Mass.
BAKER, Russell, Times, Wash., D.C.
WALLACE, Dewitt, Readers Digest, Pleasantville, N.Y.
NASH, Ogden, Balto, Md.



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September 21, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Lee C. White
Special Counsel to The President
White House

SUBJECT: Open Occupancy Under Rent Supplement Program

The regulations, procedures, and delegations to implement the rent supplement program are in substantially final form. Only the character and method of stating the open occupancy requirements remain unresolved. Other regulations already issued would make applicable the provisions of title VI of the Civil Rights Act and the Executive Order.

We are considering three alternatives:

1. Omitting all reference to open occupancy requirements.
2. Including in the regulations a simple statement (Attachment I) that the housing is subject to the nondiscrimination regulations issued under Executive Order 11063, and to title VI of the Civil Rights Act and regulations issued under it, including provisions relating to site selection (Attachment II).
3. Inserting a specific provision in field instructions requiring projects to be so located as to best afford increasing acceptability to eligible applicants of various races, religions and ethnic origins so that the projects will have diverse tenancy both initially and continually.

Alternative 1. Omitting all reference to open occupancy requirements would best avoid Congressional relations problems and misunderstandings by developers as to the degree of control contemplated.

In advocating the rent supplement program, the Administration placed great emphasis on private, as distinguished from public, decisions and controls. It was made clear that the owner would have freedom to build and operate the housing in the same manner as any other FHA housing, except as to the specific statutory ministerial steps for determining tenant eligibility.



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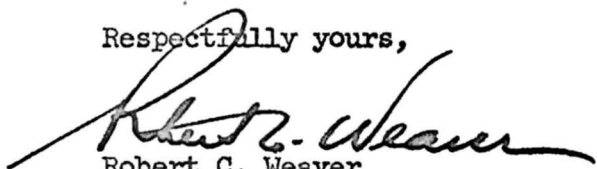
Dear Mr. President:

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I have your letter of September 16, 1965 concerning planning of the use of the District of Columbia Anacostia-Bolling tract which is currently proceeding under the direction of the National Capital Planning Commission in cooperation with this Agency, and your desire that this planning continue while the Department of Defense is making the studies and reports contemplated by H. R. 10775, the Military Housing Construction Bill which you have recently approved.

In accordance with your wishes, we are continuing our current feasibility survey. Also, I have taken the liberty of sending copies of your letter to Mr. L. Thomas Appleby, Executive Director of the District of Columbia Redevelopment Land Agency, and to the Housing and Home Finance Agency Regional Administrator in Philadelphia. In this way, your purpose of having available all possible choices for the re-use of this land will be accomplished.

Respectfully yours,


Robert C. Weaver
Administrator

Central Files:

Sorry to hold this letter so long, but it did get attention, and the matter continues to be attended to. I don't know whether the President's letter of September 16 ever showed up, or whether Dr. Weaver was in error as to the source of the letter; in any case, this one can be filed. (We have a copy of it, since Mr. Horsky is working on Anacostia-Bolling.)

Eunice Graham

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1. Brochure - Smithsonian Institute 's Bicentennial Celebration
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6. Outline of a Proposed Pres. Msge. on Defense - Memo from Joseph A. Califano
7. Brief of the Report to the President by the xTask Force on *Natural Resourses
8. Memo to Sec. Weaver - Housing and Home Finance from Treasury re xTask Force on
*Urban Problems & Housing
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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9/20/65

Carol:

This is something that Mr. Moyers
asked Mr. Valenti to prepare.

Now you return it to us.

Mr. Valenti is asking: "Why?"

Mary

To hold until P. M.
decides

On

September 21, 1965

TO JACK VALENTI

FROM: Bill Moyers

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To hold until the

President decides.

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(Valenti)



It has been said of Robert C. Weaver that he is the quiet activist.

Without flurry, he has pursued the dream of improved urban life in a variety of public service tasks.

A scholar, an author, an administrator, and most of all, a practical visionary, he has been since February 11, 1961 the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency. Under his jurisdiction, the federal government's housing and urban programs have been planned, programmed, and set into motion for the benefit of the nation.

He was born in Washington, D. C. in 1907.

He graduated with a B. S. degree from Harvard University, cum laude, and went on to receive his M. A. and Ph. D degrees from Harvard.

His Federal service began in 1933 as Associate Adviser on Negro Affairs in the Department of Interior where his knowledge, ^{and} objective scrutiny brought him to the fore in the earliest public housing and slum clearance programs.

When the U. S. Housing Authority was created to administer housing programs in which the government had an interest, he became Special Assistant to the Administrator of that Agency.

After World War II, he turned to the municipal field with service as Executive Director of the Mayor's Committee on Race Relations in Chicago while he was also lecturing at Northwestern University.

Prior to his appointment as the chief of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, Dr. Weaver served as Vice Chairman of the Housing and Re-Development Board of the city of New York. This body was a three-man group responsible for the direction and administration of New York's urban renewal and middle income housing program, the largest of its kind in the country.

Dr. Weaver is the author of three books: NEGRO LABOR: A National Problem, published in 1946;

THE NEGRO GHETTO, on minority housing problems, published in 1948;

THE URBAN COMPLEX: Human Values in Urban Life, published in 1964.

He has been awarded honorary degrees from Temple, Loyola, Rutgers, and Howard Universities, as well as from Boston College, and Elmira College.

His wife is the former Ella V. Haith, an assistant professor of speech at Brooklyn.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 12, 1965

TO: Marvin Watson

FROM: John W. Macy, Jr. *gem*

Per our conversation of last evening.

*To: Jack Valenti
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statement for use at
the President
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ROBERT C. WEAVER

For his entire professional career, Robert C. Weaver has pursued the objectives of improved urban life in a variety of public service appointments. He became Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, the Federal Government's overall agency administering housing and urban programs on February 11, 1961 when he was sworn into office by President Kennedy.

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He had previously served the State of New York as Administrator of the State Housing Rent Commission and as the Deputy Commissioner of Housing. A native of Washington, born in 1907, he attended Harvard University where he received his B.S. cum laude and subsequently received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. He entered the Federal service in 1933 as Associate Adviser on Negro Affairs in the Department of Interior where he became a consultant on racial matters in the earliest public housing and slum clearance programs.

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During World War II Mr. Weaver filled a number of wartime posts - Administrative Assistant to the late Sidney Hillman, head of the National Defense Advisory Commission, Chief of Negro Employment and Training in the Labor Division of the War Production Board and Director of Negro Manpower in the War Manpower Commission.

After the war he turned to the municipal field with service as Executive Director of the Mayor's Committee on Race Relations in Chicago while he was also lecturing at Northwestern University.

Mr. Weaver has been active in various national organizations in the civic, housing and related fields throughout his career. He has been a major force in public housing, urban renewal and equal opportunity. Mr. Weaver is the author of three books: "Negro Labor: A National Problem," published in 1946; "The Negro Ghetto," on minority housing

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Hayes Redmon
The White House

Subject: Next Week's Newsmaking
Activities at HHFA

International Cooperation Year development: Next week Douglas Cater will receive a new draft of a proposed Presidential announcement that ICY committee reports are being reviewed as they begin to come in, and that from time to time the President will take early action based on recommendations. For example, the draft will say, the President has seen the Urban Development Committee report, one recommendation being that the U.S. sponsor a World Urban Development Research Laboratory and Institute, and that he has asked for some action relating to this proposal.

Urban Renewal Administration next week will announce regulations for a new program, provided in the 1965 legislation, under which cities can get funds to demolish eyesores, rundown buildings, etc., that are outside official renewal areas. Much interest has been indicated. Funds will be available in the supplementals bill.

Next week New Orleans officials probably will ask for and we will make available immediately ample funds for property damage surveys needed as a result of Hurricane Betsy. This will be done by cutting red tape and transferring funds already granted to the city and Regional Planning Commission for other planning purposes. This HHFA assistance to New Orleans is additional to what we reported Wednesday to Marvin Watson, i.e., that FHA has made available over 1,000 dwelling units in southern Louisiana to homeless victims.

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PROBLEM: A big headache developed this week involving Mayor Daley. It cooled down late Wednesday but might flare up again next week. Lee White has a memorandum from Administrator Weaver on it. Facts are these:

The Chicago Sun-Times ran a Tuesday September 14 story acutely embarrassing to both Daley and Weaver. It said Weaver has held up approval of four public housing sites authorized by the Chicago Housing Authority, City Council and the PHA in Washington. All four sites are in the southside ghetto. Daley got the idea from the CHA chairman or others that Weaver had made the decision to embarrass him and, through me, had leaked the news. The story carried a Washington date line and Tom Littlewood's byline. But Littlewood had called me Monday to say the Chicago office had got the word that the sites had been turned down, and I said only that no final decision had been made either way. Weaver and I are confident someone in Chicago -- probably in the PHA Regional Office -- leaked the story. Late Wednesday Weaver phoned Daley and put him straight on the matter. Daley seemed mollified. Weaver hopes to get data by tomorrow on which to base a decision on the sites. If he turns down one or more -- for being in conflict with Civil Rights Title VI -- tempers may flare again. One site is particularly bad, being virtually an extension of the notorious Taylor Homes. . . Involved in this story and an earlier one are references to Daley and Weaver as rivals for the Secretary's position, except that the latest in the Chicago News implies that Daley would not be interested. All very unfortunate. (Stories attached.)

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Administrator Weaver dedicates the Dutchess County Office Building in Poughkeepsie, New York, Saturday, September 18. On tour with Representative Joseph Resnick. . . On Wednesday, September 22, he speaks in St. Louis to the International Downtown Executives Association, telling them especially about our aids for urban beautification and why this is necessary to lure shoppers downtown. . . On Thursday, September 23, he will attend a meeting with CIO's Reuther, Abel, etc., in New York to help the CIO unions organize for much greater sponsorship of housing for the elderly.

PHA Commissioner Philip Brownstein will speak Thursday, September 23, in San Juan, admonishing homebuilders not to overbuild in Puerto Rico.

**Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Assistant Administrator
for Public Affairs**

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Lee C. White
Special Counsel to the President
The White House

SUBJECT: Public Housing Projects in Chicago

Issues

On August 30th I returned to Commissioner McGuire PHA List 4001 involving Annual Contributions Contracts for four public housing projects in the City of Chicago.

As you know, all such contracts require my signature before they can be executed. At the time that these submissions came to me I had also received a well-documented and detailed complaint from the West Side Federation in Chicago, alleging that the proposed sites and others said to be submitted by the Chicago Housing Authority, were in violation of the 1964 Civil Rights Act Title VI, Section 601 and Section 602, and the rules and regulations issued by the PHA in carrying out its responsibilities under the Civil Rights Law. I returned on that same day to Mrs. McGuire the list unsigned, with a request to her to have an analysis of these proposed projects made in light of the complaint (copy of which I sent her) and at the same time to prepare a draft of a reply to the complaint for my signature.

On September 8 Mrs. McGuire sent a memorandum to the Regional Office of PHA in Chicago (copy of which is attached).

On Monday, September 13, Robert Murray, Public Information Officer for this Agency, received a call from the Chicago Sun Times stating that they had been informed that I had rejected the four sites submitted by the Chicago Housing Authority. Mr. Murray explained that this was not true and that I had, however, asked for additional information before taking action one way or another on the issue. This response resulted in a garbled report which appeared in the Chicago Sun Times of Tuesday, September 14, copy of which is attached.

Analysis

The issues here are fairly clear. First, and most important, is the question of whether or not the proposals are in violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Also, there is a question of whether or not one of the sites, which I was told represents an extension of the Robert Taylor Homes, is sound site planning.

You may recall that the Robert Taylor Homes is the largest single public housing development in the country, stretching for many, many blocks throughout the South Side of Chicago, and universally condemned as bad planning and as the symbol of racial ghettoization in public housing. I question seriously the desirability or the wisdom of increasing this concentration of low income housing adjacent to an already too large single-income, single racially occupied development. My purpose in sending this material back to Mrs. McGuire was to secure from her additional documentation which would provide the basis for my action in regard to, and the basis for, a reply to the complaint which I had received.

One matter should be called specifically to your attention and that is the statement in the Sun Times article that my approval of these Annual Contributions Contracts is routine. This is far from true and there have been repeated occasions over the past four years when I have not approved such contracts or when I have requested, as in this occasion, additional information.

As you know, we have just recently issued regulations incident to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. Clearly, my action in relation to these regulations and this part of the Civil Rights Act will have to be of current vintage by the very nature of the situation.



Robert C. Weaver
Administrator



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HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY
OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL LIAISON
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20410

September 15, 1965

MEMORANDUM TO: James Jones
Assistant to Mr. Watson
The White House

Attached are copies of three memoranda I have received from HHFA staff members who conferred with the group or members of the group from Mississippi, about which you alerted me. I believe this is all consistent with the guidelines you gave me.


Charles M. Smith
Congressional Liaison Officer

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Dear Mrs. Whelan:

You are the first in the Nation to receive one of the new housing rehabilitation grants, authorized for urban renewal areas only a month ago when I signed the landmark Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965.

While your city is arranging a special ceremony to award this grant to you, I want to add the congratulations of your President on this signal occasion.

Our urban renewal program is a cooperative effort by the city and the national government, and by the citizen and the private enterprise contractor, to renew and rehabilitate our urban environment. Because of the new law, the Congress has made it possible for many more residents of urban renewal areas to pay for necessary home improvements without having to move.

I hope you will soon be seeing and enjoying the results of the rehabilitation work that now gets underway on your home. And I hope that those of your fellow citizens in the "West End" area, in other parts of St. Louis, and across the United States, who could not previously participate in urban renewal in this direct way, will follow your example.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

*
Mrs. Annie Laurie Whelan
944 Laurel Avenue *
St. Louis, Missouri 63112

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September 10, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Hayes Redmon
The White House

Subject: Next Week's Newsmaking
Activities at HHFA

This memorandum is the first in response to a request Bill Moyers sent to Deputy Administrator Milton Semer yesterday.

On Monday morning, September 13, HHFA Administrator Weaver and AID Administrator Bell will address the opening session of a month-long Urban Development Seminar being held to help Africa, Asian and South American nations. Monday morning papers are expected to carry the details from the attached release. On Wednesday, September 15, Vice President Humphrey will address a luncheon meeting for the 60 foreign visitors. They will be here most of next week, then tour a number of Eastern cities and Puerto Rico.

In connection with this, the White House this afternoon, September 10, will very likely receive from the State Department a suggested Presidential week-end statement about the first committee recommendations to come out of the International Cooperation Year effort. This report relates to the Urban Development Committee, which was jointly chaired by Mr. Weaver and Dallas Developer Raymond Nasher. The ICY group believes this would be a particularly appropriate time to make this statement, in view of interest in the new Department and the Seminar being held starting Monday.

Mr. Weaver's only other public appearance scheduled next week is for a courthouse dedication in Poughkeepsie, New York, Saturday, September 18, set up by freshman Congressman Resnick. Luckily, we can schedule an urban renewal grant announcement for the vicinity for him to make that day (by agreement with the House and the congressmen).

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Memo for: Hayes Redmon
Subj: Next Week's Newsmaking
Activities at HHFA (Sept 10, 1965)

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In St. Louis, Monday, September 13, a 75-year-old widow will receive a \$1,500 Federal grant to rehabilitate her old house in an urban renewal area -- the first such grant to be made under a new program provided in the 1965 Housing Act. This will let her stay in her home and in the area (she's white, and the area is mostly Negro occupied). Local authorities are making a news play out of this. On August 31 I sent Bill Moyers a memorandum on this rehabilitation program, telling how St. Louis had got money for making these loans.

No other officials are expected to make much news next week. FHA Commissioner Brownstein speaks Monday, September 13, at a Hot Springs, Virginia, convention of the Home Manufacturers Association.

As for news involving the new Department, this will be handled as required by developments. Yesterday we sent out to the press a series of four releases describing the new Department, its relative size, developments leading to its creation, and a description of HHFA and its units and activities. These are attached. This material and copies of the President's messages on the two big 1965 HUD Acts and program fact sheets under the new legislation will go out next week to several thousand interest groups and others.

FHA is pretty close to being ready to issue its regulations covering the rent supplement program. These may be ready to go next week, though there remains some question as to whether they need to be released so soon -- in view of no certainty yet that Congress will grant the supplementary funds for the program. We have prepared a good booklet for the public and potential sponsors on the supplement program, but there's no cause to have GPO print it until we know what Congress will do two or three weeks hence.

AFL-CIO leaders plan to meet soon with the Administrator to set up plans for a substantial new organization to build senior citizen housing on a large scale.

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Deputy Administrator Semer will be in Chicago, September 16-18, for a national meeting of HHFA attorneys and attendance at the Federal Bar Association convention.

Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Assistant Administrator
for Public Affairs

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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.
MANSFIELD, Mike
MONTGOMERY, Joseph M.
MUSKIE, Edmund S.
NEUBERGER, Maurine B.
PROXMIER, William E.
RIBICOFF, Abraham A.
SMATHERS, George A.
WILLIAMS, Harrison A., Jr.

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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, William J.
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.

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COAN, A. S.	CARSTENSON, Blue, Nat'l Farmers Union
GRAVES, John L.	CLARK, Lloyd E.,
HENDERSON, Elmer W.	BERGER, Sam
LINDLEY, Jonathan	COLLINS, Morris W. H., Jr., University
HORNE, John E.	of Georgia
McEWEN, John J., Jr.	CRAWFORD, Morris D., Jr.,
MORGAN, John T., Democratic Study Group	DeLIMA, Oscar, Roger Smith Hotel
NELSON, Paul	Corporation
O'NEAL, Dudley L.	DUGGAR, George, University of Pitts.
PHILLIPS, William G.	DUMAS, W. W., Nat'l Assn. of Counties
SONOSKY, Jerome	ENSLEY, Grever W., Nat'l Assn. of
TUCKER, Margaret E.	Mutual Savings Banks
VALEO, Francis R.	ESSER, George H., Jr., University of
ALLEN, Ivan, Mayor of Atlanta, Ga.	N. C.
BROWN, Edmund G., Governor	FERWERDA, Vernon L., Nat'l Council of
BARR, Joseph M., Mayor of Pitts, Pa.	the Churches of Christ
BURNS, John J., Mayor of Binghamton, N.Y.	GALLAGER, Raymond J., Nat'l Conference
CAVANAGH, Jerome P., Mayor of Detroit.	of Catholic Charities
COLLINS, John F., Mayor of Boston, Mass.	GUNTHER, John J., U.S. Conf. of Mayors
DALEY, Richard J., Mayor of Chicago, Ill.	HADDOCK, Hoyt S., Four Freedoms, Inc.
GOLDNER, Herman W., Mayor of St. Petersburg,	LEIF, Donald W., Nat'l League of Cities
Fla.	HENDERSON, Laurance G., Jt. Council on
HIGH, Robert King, Mayor of Miami, Fla.	Housing & Urban Development
KELLY, James W., Jr., Mayor of East	HILLENBRAND, Bernard F.,
Orange, N.J.	JOHNSON, Cenoria, Nat'l Urban League
McKELDIN, Theodore R., Mayor of Baltimore	KEENAN, Joseph D., Internat'l
NAFTALIN, Arthur, Mayor of Minneapolis.	Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
WAGNER, Robert F., Mayor of N.Y. City	KEITH, Nathaniel S., Nat'l Housing
ABELSON, Norman, Nat'l Assn. of Home	Conf.
Builders	KETCHUM, Morris, Jr., American Institute
ABRAMS, Charles, Columbia University	of Architects
School of Architecture	KROOTH, David L., Housing Legislation
BEIBOT, John E., Rutgers	Information Service
BIEMILLER, Andrew W., AFL-CIO	LANDRY, Kenneth C
BLACKMAN, Larry, Nat'l Assn. of Home	LAZARUS, Ralph, Federated Dept. Stores
Builders	Inc.
BOSWORTH, Francis, Friends Neighborhood	CARLTON, Winslow, Group Health Insurance
Guild	LINNEHAN, John L.,
BOUTIN, Bernard L., Nat'l Assn. of Home	MAIER, Henry W.
Builders	MALETTA, George D. M., Nat'l Council
CAMPBELL, Alan K., Maxwell Graduate	of the Episcopal Church
School of Citizenship & Public	MARCUS, Stanley, Neiman Marcus
Affairs - Syracuse University	MEAD, Margaret, American Museum of
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MEANY, George, AFL-CIO

MEIKLEJOHN, Kenneth A. AFL-CIO

MITCHELL, Clarence, NAACP

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

NASHER, Raymond D., Nasher Properties

PERLOFF, Harvey S., Resources for the
Future, Inc.

POSTON, Robert R., Nat'l Assn. of Mutual
Savings Banks

RAHN, Sheldon, Nat'l Council of the
Churches of Christ

RAINS, Albert

REACH, Barbara, Community Service Society

ROBBIE, Joseph

RUTLEDGE, Edward, Nat'l Committee Against
Discrimination in Housing

SCHETCK, William H. American Institute of
Architects

SCHWULST, Earl B., Nat'l Assn. of Mutual
Savings Banks

SHISHKIN, Boris, AFL-CIO

SHORE, Chester, American Veterans Comm.

SILVER, Raphael, D., Keller-Silver Corp.

SIMMONS, John O., American Society of
Landscape Architects

SLATER, Donald, Nat'l League of Cities

SOUTHARD, Shelby, Cooperative League of
USA

STEINKRAUS, Herman W., U. N. Assn. of
the USA

THACKERY, Russell I., Nat'l Assn. of
State University and Land Grant Colleges

TOWNSEND, Dwight D., Cooperative League of
the USA

TOBRINER, Walter N.

TUCKER, Sterling, Wash. Urban League

UPTON, Lawrence M., Nat'l Council on
the Aging

VOORHIS, H. Jerry,

WARD, C. D., Nat'l Assn. of Counties

WASHBURN, Howard W., Board of Hospitals
and Homes of the Methodist Church

WEIN, Lawrence A.

WEINER, Leon N., Nat'l Assn. of Home
Builders

DYCKMAN, John W., Institute of Urban
and Regional Development
University of Calif.

WILKINS, Roy Nat'l Assn. for Advancement
of Colored People

WILLIAMS, Robert L., American Institute
of Planners

YLVISAKER, Paul, Ford Foundation

WISE, Harold F., American Institute of
Planners

WOOD, Robert C., Mass. Institute of
Technology

BICKFORD, Paul R., Nat'l Assn. of Home
Builders

BLACKFIELD, William, Nat'l Assn. of
Home Builders

CORTRIGHT, Frank W., Nat'l Assn. of
Home Builders

DEANE, Ben C.,

DECKER, Don

DOK, Douglas J.

EQUI, Frank R.

FEINBERG, Alex

FOX, David G.

FRIEDLAND, Jack

GULLEDGE, Eugene A.

HILL, Kimball

ALVER, Paget, Nat'l Urban League

HUBER, Don

PRATT, Edward W.

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SACHS, Philip H., Baltimore Metropolitan
Transit

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SUDIA, John J.,

CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS INVITED BUT UNABLE TO ATTEND:

SENATORS:

ERVIN, Samuel J., Jr.

HICKENLOOPER, Bourke B.

LONG, Edward V.

METCALF, Lee

MONDALE, Walter F.

MUNDT, Karl E.

ROBERTSON, A. Willis

SIMPSON, Milward L.

SPARKMAN, John

THURMOND, Strom

TOWER, John G.

CONGRESSMEN:

BROCK, William E.

BOGGS, Hale

CABELL, Earle

CLAWSON, Del

ERLENBORN, John N.

FOUNTAIN, L. H.

GRIFFIN, Robert P.

HANNA, Richard T.

MIZE, Chester L.

OTTINGER, Richard L.

RANDALL, William J.

TALCOTT, Burt L.

EDELMAN, John W., National Council of
Senior Citizens

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Dear Mr. Semer:

The attached memorandum from the Office of the Secretary of the Treasury impressed the President a great deal.

I would appreciate it if you could read it, improve on it, and send to Hayes Redmon of my office by 3:00 p.m. each Friday something similar to it on the activities of the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Bill Moyers
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Milton P. Semer
Deputy Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
1626 K Street, NW.
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure

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September 3, 1965

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Dear Mr. Spector:

The President was pleased to grant your request and I am happy to return to you the enclosed autographed picture.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

*
Mr. Sidney Spector
Assistant Administrator
Housing for Senior Citizens
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure: Picture of P & Mr. Spector returned, signed: "To Sidney Spector, WBW, LBJ"

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Dear Mr. Weaver,
The President was looking through
some of his pictures again today
and thought you might like to have
the enclosed.

Juanita D. Roberts
Juanita D. Roberts
Personal Secretary
to the President

Sep 3, 1965

FROM
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

*
Hon. Robert Weaver
Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C.

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TO: Robert Weaver
Administrator
HHFA

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FROM: Lee C. White

The Hudson River Commission has
taken a rather wild turn or two and
I would like to discuss it with you
on the telephone.

Nelson
Ltr to Robt Weaver from Gov. Rockefeller, Weaver's undated response & Memo
to LCW dated 8/18/65. re Hudson River Valley Commission
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SCHULTZE

**Enclosed is another report on cost reduction --
from Housing and Home Finance.**

Horace Busby

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September 2, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Joseph Laitin
Deputy Press Secretary to the President
The White House

Subject: Reprint of President's Message on Housing
and Urban Development Act of 1965

We used the picture furnished by your White House staff on this pamphlet, which has gone to about 7500 key people and interest groups in the fields of public housing, urban renewal, elderly housing and related fields. We have about 2,000 additional copies in case you can suggest other uses.

I furnished a copy of the Message to the National Association of Home Builders so that they could reprint it in their weekly publication which goes to all of their 43,000 members.

I think we will duplicate this job on the President's Message when he signs the Department of Housing and Urban Development bill.

RM
Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Assistant Administrator
for Public Affairs

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August 31, 1965

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Bill D. Meyers
Press Secretary to the President
The White House

Subject:

Rehabilitation Grants to St. Louis,
the First Under the New Housing
and Urban Development Act

We have ready for scheduling an announcement of the first approval of Federal funds for rehabilitation grants in an urban renewal area. The grant will be for \$553,500 from the Urban Renewal Administration. This action will enable the city to make grants of up to \$1,500 each to low-income owners of houses which need repair and improvement in the big West End urban renewal area. The announcement on this is attached and is for release September 3. We will notify the interested Congressmen September 2.

I thought that perhaps the White House might want to make an announcement on this since this program is part of our new emphasis on rehabilitation rather than bulldozing in urban renewal areas, and because it is quick action following passage of the 1965 Act.

Robert W. Murray, Jr.

Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Assistant Administrator
for Public Affairs

Enclosure

*Trudy - first read.
Quote from Murray
speech on rehabilitation*



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August 31, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Jack J. Valenti
Special Assistant to the President
The White House

SUBJECT: President's Briefing

Construction contracts gained 5 per cent last month from a year ago, according to F. W. Dodge Corp. statistical reports. The gain was accounted for by nonresidential building and heavy construction, with housing awards down 2 per cent. The chief Dodge economist, George A. Christie, interpreted the "record volume of new work initiated since Spring means that most contractors and suppliers will be busier than ever during the next few months."

Rental vacancy rates in the West rose to the all time high of 12 per cent in the second quarter of this year. This rise was, however, offset by decreases in other regions, and the current national rental vacancy rate of 7.5 per cent shows little change from the previous quarter or from a year ago. The high vacancy rate in the Western States has no doubt been a factor in the 39 per cent decline in multifamily housing units authorized in the first five months of 1965.

Transit projects for New York City and Providence, Rhode Island are now under review by HHFA. The New York application is for a capital grant of \$23,420,000 and the one from Providence is for \$1,600,000.

The new legislation spurs interest in rehabilitation and the Urban Renewal Administration will announce the first rehabilitation grant this week. The first grant will be made for the West End project in St. Louis. The city will now be able to make grants to low-income home owner-occupants to improve the housing in which they live.

To give new emphasis to beneficial environment the Housing Agency will hold its first Regional Conference on Environmental Design in Monterey, California, September 7 to 10. No press announcement has, as yet, been made of the meeting. About 60 participants, 35 Federal employees and about 25 private conferees, will meet in what will be a dialogue aimed at developing more effective means for achieving the President's Natural

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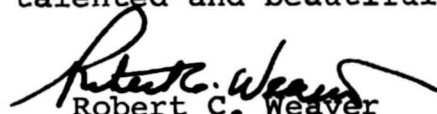
Beauty objectives within the context of existing HHFA programs, wherever possible, and determining where new legislation is needed for that purpose. Agency personnel will include the Commissioners of the Urban Renewal and Public Housing Administrations, as well as top operating and policy officials from central Washington and Region VI offices. Mr. Robert Pitts, Region VI Administrator, will act as chairman of the conference. Private participants include architects, landscape architects, planners, conservationists and local public officials.

Requests for assistance at conferences to explain the new housing and urban development legislation are pouring into HHFA. Many of the requests come from members of Congress who want to make sure that local mayors and the people back home understand and appreciate the new aids available. All possible assistance is being given to provide speakers, programs and informational material.

CFA reports that Jefferson Parish, Louisiana has requested \$703,835 advance for Public Works Planning to develop the Lake Pontchartrain waterfront to its fullest potential for the benefit of the people of Louisiana. The estimated total cost runs over \$36,000,000, and includes parks, harbors, beaches, fishing facilities, golf courses, and building sites. The application is being coordinated with the Department of Commerce, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, and various state agencies.

A 900 unit housing project in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia has been recommended by FHA International Division to AID. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$5,500,000 and the houses will sell from \$5,500 to \$7,000.

The queen of the San Juan Carnival lives in a public housing project in Puerto Rico much to the delight of the local housing authority which reports that the image of public housing tenants has been enhanced throughout the Island because of this talented and beautiful 15 year old girl.


Robert C. Weaver
Administrator

Attachment: Public Appearances

PUBLIC APPEARANCES FOR
SEPTEMBER -- OCTOBER -- NOVEMBER

Robert C. Weaver, Administrator

SEPTEMBER

9 Washington, D.C. - Conference of American Political Science Assn.
13 Washington, D.C. - Opening session AID-HHFA Urban Development
Seminar
18 Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, N.Y. - Board of Supervisors -
Dedication of new Dutchess County Office
Building
22 St. Louis, Mo. - International Downtown Executives Assn.
28 Washington, D. C. - Brookings Institution, White House
Fellows Program
29 Chicago, Ill. - Mortgage Bankers Assn. of America, annual
convention

OCTOBER

13 New York, N. Y. - Women's City Club of New York
18 New York, N. Y. - New School for Social Research
21 New York, N. Y. - Hudson Guild, Inc. - official opening of new
Community Center for the Aged; Robert Fulton
Houses
25-26 Washington, D.C.- Executive Reservists

NOVEMBER

16 Notre Dame, Ind. - Cardinal O'Hara Memorial Lecture
18 White Sulphur Springs, W.Va. - Greenbriar Hotel - opening
session, Savings Bank Assn. of New York State
29-30 Washington, D. C. - International Cooperation Year White House
Conference

J. Stanley Baughman, President, FNMA

SEPTEMBER

13-14 Hot Springs, Va. - Home Manufacturers Assn., annual convention
27-30 Chicago, Ill. - Mortgage Bankers Assn., annual convention

OCTOBER

3-6 Chicago, Ill. - American Bankers Assn., annual convention

NOVEMBER

14-16 Chicago, Ill. - National Assn. of Real Estate Boards,
annual convention

Philip N. Brownstein, Commissioner, PHA

SEPTEMBER

13 Hot Springs, Va. - Home Manufacturers Assn., annual convention
23 San Juan, Puerto Rico - Home Builders
30 Chicago, Ill. - Mortgage Bankers Assn., annual convention

OCTOBER

15 New York, N. Y. - New York State Home Builders Assn.
22 Washington, D. C. - ACTION luncheon meeting
29 Marshalltown, Iowa - Iowa Home Builders

NOVEMBER

15 Chicago, Ill. - National Assn. of Real Estate Boards

Marie C. McGuire, Commissioner, PHA

SEPTEMBER

8 Asilomar, Calif. - HHFA Seminar on Beauty
14 Washington, D.C. - Urban Development Seminar

OCTOBER

6 Washington, D.C. - Institute of Lifetime Learning
13 Boston, Mass. - Public Housing Week - sponsored by the
Public Housing Authority
19 Des Moines, Iowa - Iowa Bankers Assn. 79th Convention
24-26 Philadelphia, Pa. - National Conference of National Assn. of
Housing and Redevelopment Officials

NOVEMBER

1 Norman, Okla. - Oklahoma Assn. for Better Housing
5 Columbia, Mo. - 9th National Housing Conference for Improvement
of Teaching, University of Missouri
15 St. Louis, Mo. - National Municipal League

William L. Slayton, Commissioner, URA

SEPTEMBER

7-9 Monterey, Calif. - Regional Conference on Environmental Design
14 Washington, D. C. - Urban Development Seminar

Mr. Slayton, (cont'd)

OCTOBER

5 Minneapolis, Minn. - 47th National Recreation Congress
6 Minneapolis, Minn. - Exposition of the Urban Design Program
22 Washington, D. C. - ACTION, Inc. - Urban Redevelopment Division
1965 General Meeting
24-27 Philadelphia, Pa. - National Assn. of Housing and Redevelopment
Officials, Biennial Conference

NOVEMBER

19 Milwaukee, Wis. - League of Women Voters
20 Milwaukee, Wis. - Lecture at University of Wisconsin

Milton P. Semer, Deputy Administrator

SEPTEMBER

16-18 Chicago, Ill. - Federal Bar Assn. meetings

Morton J. Schussheim, Assistant Administrator
for Program Policy

SEPTEMBER

10 Washington, D.C. - National Council of Churches, Commission on
Urban Life & Commission on Religion and Race meetings

John C. Kohl, Assistant Administrator
for Transportation

SEPTEMBER

17 Chicago, Ill. - Federal Bar Assn. convention

OCTOBER

18-22 Kansas City, Mo. - American Society of Civil Engineers meetings

James A. Moore, Assistant Administrator
for International Housing

SEPTEMBER

20-22 Williamsburg, Va. - Seminar on Urban Development
25 San Juan, Puerto Rico - Seminar on Urban Development

NOVEMBER

16-19 Ithaca, N.Y. - Seminar on Latin America at Cornell University

Sidney Spector, Assistant Administrator
Housing for the Elderly

SEPTEMBER

- 3 New York, N. Y. - Regional Conference on housing programs
for elderly
17-18 Cleveland, Ohio - Conference on housing and health for aged
(requested by Congressman Vanik)
21-22 Milwaukee, Wis. - Institute on low-rent, low-cost private housing

OCTOBER

- 4-15 The Netherlands
and Belgium - Symposium on housing for the elderly, Economic
Commission for Europe

NOVEMBER

- 11-12 Los Angeles, Calif. - American Gerontological Society meeting
15-16 New York, N. Y. - Conference of National Voluntary Organizations
of the National Council on Aging

Kermit G. Bailer, Assistant Administrator
for Community Programs

SEPTEMBER

- 20-22 Ft. Worth, Tex. - To discuss Community Programs
27-30 Santurce, P.R. - Regional meeting

Frank X. Servaites, Deputy Commissioner, PHA

SEPTEMBER

- 16 Savannah, Ga. - City of Savannah Citizens Advisory Committee on
Community Improvement and Urban Renewal

Abner D. Silverman, Assistant Commissioner
for Management, PHA

OCTOBER

- 7 Asheville, N. C. - Annual Meeting of Carolina Housing and
Redevelopment Officials

T. B. Thompson, Assistant Commissioner
for Development, PHA

SEPTEMBER

- 8-10 Asilomar, Calif. - HHFA Seminar on Beauty

Joseph Burstein, General Counsel, PHA

SEPTEMBER

16-18 Chicago, Ill. - National Meeting of HHPA Staff Attorneys
17 Chicago, Ill. - Council on Community Development Housing and
Real Estate, annual convention

Philip J. Maloney, Deputy Commissioner FHA

NOVEMBER

23 New York, N. Y. - Savings Banks Mortgage & Real Estate Forum

S. Leigh Curry, Jr., Chief Counsel, URA

SEPTEMBER

15-18 Chicago, Ill. - Federal Bar Assn., annual convention

Arthur A. Davis, Deputy Assistant Commissioner
for Open-Space Land, URA

SEPTEMBER

19-23 Milwaukee, Wis. - American Institute of Park Executives
26-30 Ontario, Canada - National Conference on State Parks

George W. Draper, Chief Counsel, CFA

SEPTEMBER

15-18 Chicago, Ill. - Federal Bar Assn., annual convention

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August 20, 1965

Dear Bob:

I am enclosing an exchange of correspondence between the President and Senator Thomas Kuchel on the situation in Los Angeles.

The President has asked me to pass along to you personally his desire that you please contact Senator Kuchel directly and tell him what you are doing with respect to the excellent suggestions in his letter.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Califano
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Robert Weaver
Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency
1626 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely,

Marvin

W. Marvin Watson
Special Assistant
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Honorable Milton P. Semer
Deputy Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C.

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cc: Honorable Joseph A. Califano, Jr. ✓
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I will go to his meeting
RM

Honorable Henry H. Fowler
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Mr. Secretary:

As you know, the President has asked me to chair a Task Force on Urban Affairs and Housing in which your department is to be represented. Papers have been requested by the White House on a number of topics by September 1.

In view of the timing, I am asking you to designate a representative who could meet on Friday, August 13, 1965, at 10 a.m. in Room 609, 1626 K Street, N. W., with Dr. Morton J. Schussheim, Assistant Administrator for Program Policy, to discuss the work of the Task Force and to arrange for the coordination of efforts among the agencies represented on the Task Force.

I am enclosing a list of the topics to be covered by the Task Force and a four-step outline of what each paper should contain. It will be helpful if your designee can come prepared with an outline of questions to be covered for those topics in which your department has an interest.

Please let Dr. Schussheim's office know who will attend.

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Weaver
Administrator

Enclosure

IDENTICAL LETTERS TO: John W. Douglas, Justice Dept.
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Schultz, Bur. of Budget
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

**Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Housing and Home Finance Agency**

FROM:

**Joseph Laitin
Assistant Press Secretary to the President**

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Joe,

Attached are two state-
ments. One is of general goals; the
other is of specific goals.

Bob

GENERAL GOALS FOR AN URBAN NATION

In the development of a stronger urban nation, there are two fundamental, overriding goals:

- 1) Raise, drastically, the quality of living for all Americans;
and,
- 2) Insure that all Americans have the fullest range of opportunity to enjoy the benefits of a healthier environment.
- 3) To achieve these fundamental objectives, a wide spectrum of other goals must be forged and welded into the consciousness of the nation:
 - 1) There must be an end to poverty.
 - 2) There must be an end to all forms of inequality of opportunity.
 - 3) There must be an end to joblessness for all those who wish to work effectively in a free society.
 - 4) There must be an end to slum dwellings and slum neighborhoods.
Programs aimed at achieving this goal must be framed in full realization that slums are basically the result, not only of decrepit and poorly serviced buildings, but of thwarted opportunities and ambitions.
 - 5) There must be a comprehensive network of metropolitan facilities (e.g., transportation, sewer, water, recreation, education, police and fire protection, etc.) developed to serve neighborhood needs according to coherent planning for the whole urban region.
 - 6) There must be a higher order of governmental coordination, between Federal, state, local and quasi-public bodies.

- 7) At the same time, there must be a strengthening of leadership for better cities, among both private and public enterprise.
- 8) There must be an immediate effort started to clean up urban air and water and institute a comprehensive program of conservation of urban resources.
- 9) All programs of housing, whether for rehabilitation or new construction and in central cities or suburbs, should stress an adequate supply of good housing for those families and individuals priced out of the normal housing market.
- 10) As an integral part of all programs, rather than simply an afterthought, there must be full recognition of the essentiality of the highest level of environmental design, whether for buildings, landscaping, streets and highways and their equipage, or in the coherent development of urban form.
- 11) Potential or active centers of city influences, such as universities, churches, cultural and recreation complexes, must be strengthened and their benefits brought to a larger portion of the city's people.
- 12) There must be a crash program of research and the gathering of knowledge aimed at the curing of the city's ills. The next decade should be the critical time of innovation and experimentation in evolving solutions to our very complex urban problems, and such innovation must proceed from, and feed, a steadily growing fund of facts about our urban condition.

The range of goals should come down to this: the impact of a Great Society -- a Great Urban Society -- must be felt by all. No American, no matter what his handicaps or position, should feel shut out from participation in some measure in such a society.

It is our responsibility to move quickly and effectively toward achieving such a society. With this in mind the following goals are set.

GOALS FOR TWENTIETH CENTURY URBAN AMERICA

1. Reduce from 7 million to 3½ million by 1975 the occupied dwelling units that are dilapidated or lack plumbing facilities.
2. Increase the volume of new housing construction from the current annual rate of 1.5 million units a year to 2.5 million by 1975.
3. Initiate with federal assistance, through FHA mortgage-insurance, a score of new communities which will house a wide range of income groups. These new subdivisions will expand the horizon of expectation of American home owners and renters while providing a laboratory in which new and exciting concepts of urban life can and will be demonstrated.
4. Reverse the trend of decay and despair in our central cities, open them up with parks and playgrounds, at the same time that we revitalize their economies, stabilize their neighborhoods, and begin to make them beautiful.
5. Accelerate the 1960 trend toward emphasis upon the construction of housing for low- and moderate-income families. Currently three-fifths of the residential dwelling units planned in urban renewal sites are for low- and moderate-income families. By 1968 we shall increase the proportion to 75 per cent.
6. Double the annual expenditures now made by states and localities for water and sewer facilities so as to meet the growth needs and begin to reduce the backlog of unmet existing needs.
7. Double the volume of passengers using urban mass transportation facilities by 1975.

8. Meet the housing needs of some 2 million new students who will need additional on-campus college housing accommodations between now and 1968.
9. Train the additional 100,000 technical, administrative, and professional people that will have to fill jobs in local government by 1970.
10. Establish a central facility for data collection and research to help solve our urban problems in each of our metropolitan areas.
11. Provide a national center for studies of urban problems, basic technological research in housing and urban development, and the dissemination of findings to translate them into practical benefits for the American people.

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TO: Marvin Watson

FROM: Claude Desautels

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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.

NIELACK, 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.

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MAIER, Henry W., Nat'l League of Cities	WASHBURN, Howard W.,
BLAISDELL, Neal S., U. S. Conf. of Mayors	UPTON, Lawrence M., Nat'l Council on the Aging
GUNTHER, John J.,	POSTON, Robert R., Nat'l Assn. of Mutual Savings Banks
HEALEY, Patrick, Jr., Nat'l League of Cities	DUMAS, W. W., Nat'l Assn. of Counties
VOORHIS, H. Jerry, Cooperative League of the U.S.A.	HILLENBRAND, Bernard F.,
TOWNSEND, Dwight	WARD, C. D.,
EDELMAN, John W., Nat'l Council of Senior Citizens	KETCHUM, Morris, Jr., American Institute of Architects
PATTON, James G., Nat'l Farmers Union	SCHEICK, William H.
CARSTENSON, Dr. Blue	LANLRY, Kenneth C.
GALLAGER, Raymond J., Nat'l Conf. of Catholic Charities	WILKINS, Roy, NAACP
HALDOCK, Hoyt S., Four Freedoms, Inc.	RUTLEDGE, Edward, Nat'l Committee Against Discrimination in Housing
MITCHELL, Clarence, NAACP	TOLLEFSON, Harold M.
TUCKER, Sterling, Wash. Urban League	MAYORS:
KROOTH, David L., Housing Legislation Information Service	EVERY, H. C., Jr., Midland, Tex.
DALEY, Richard J., Mayor of Chicago, Ill.	BRILEY, C. Beverly, Nashville, Tenn.
McKeldin, Theodore R., Mayor of Balto, Md.	GRAGSON, Oran K., Las Vegas, Nev.
CAVANAGH, Jerome P., Mayor of Detroit	HOLLAND, John D., Vicksburg, Miss.
KELLY, James W., Jr., East Orange, N. J. Mayor	LOCHER, Ralph S., Cleveland, Ohio
TATE, James H. J., Mayor of Phila., Pa.	MARTIN, Roy B., Jr., Norfolk, Va.
WAGNER, Robert F., Mayor of N.Y.	McKINNEY, James B., Sacramento, Calif.
BROWN, Edmund G., Gov. of Calif.	ZINKIL, William G., Hollywood, Fla.
LIDDELL, Charles, Nat'l Fed. of Settlements and Neighborhood Centers	LEE, Richard C., Past Pres. Mayor of New Haven
WISE, Harold F., American Institute of Planners	BARR, Joseph M., Trustee Mayor of Pitts.
WILLIAMS, Robert L.	BUCKLEY, John J., Trustee Mayor of Lawrence
ELLIS, Elmer, University of Mo.	COLLINS, John F., Trustee Mayor of Boston
ELLIS, Calvert N., Juniata College, Pa.	McKINNEY, James B., Trustee Mayor of Sacramento
THACKERY, Russell L., Nat'l Assn. of State Universities & Land Grant Colleges	SCHRUNK, Terry D., Trustee Mayor of Portland
FERWERDS, Vernon L., Nat'l Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.	SMEKTA, Alex P., Trustee Mayor of Rochester Minn.
RAHN, Sheldon	ADDONIZIO, Hugh J., Newark
MALETTA, George D. M., Nat'l Council of the Episcopal Church	ALLEN, Ivan, Jr., Atlanta
REACH, Barbara, Community Service Society	BABIARZ, John E., Wilmington, Del.
	BROOKSHIRE, Stanford R., Charlotte
	GLYNN, William E., Hartford

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GOLDNER, Herman W., St. Petersburg
KOWAL, Chester, Buffalo
LOCHER, Ralph S., Cleveland
McKELDIN, Theodore R., Baltimore, Md.
MAIER, Henry W., Milwaukee, Wisc.
MALTESTER, Jack D., San Leandro
NAFTAIN, Arthur, Minneapolis, Minn.
THOMPSON, Allen C., Jackson, Miss.
WELCH, Louie, Houston
YORTY, Samuel W., Los Angeles
HUGHES, Richard G.
PAULSEL, Timothy
YARBOROUGH, Joe C.,
BURKE, Elmo J., Jr.

WEBB, Del

KLUTZNICK, Philip

BAKER, Robert, Riggs Bank

BANNER, Knox, Riggs Bank

MIELDS, Hugh, US CONF. of MAYORS

RAINS, Albert

SLATER, Don

KERVICK, John

NICHOLSON, Thomas L.

PORTER, Joe

HEARIN, William

JACKSON, Phillip

BONDS, Ray

PORTER, Nathan

GRAVLEE, Vondal

BRACEWELL, Hiram,

MURPHY, R. J.

TOWNSEND, Vincent, Birmingham News

TYREE, Karl T.

WOOD, Robert C., MIT

WHEATON, William L., University of Calif.

KELLY, Burnham, Cornell University

YLVISAKER, Paul, Ford Foundation

BEBOUT, John E., Rutgers

CAMPBELL, Alan K., Syracuse University

PERLOFF, Harvey S., Resources for the
Future, Inc.

COLLINS, Morris W. H., Jr., University of
Georgia

DUGGAR, George S., University of Pitts.

CAUDILL, William W., Rice University

ABRAMS, Charles, Columbia University

School of Architecture

ESSER, George H., Jr., University of N.C.

BOHEN, Ervin E., Home Builders Assn. of

Great Salt Lake

HENTHERN, Albert Lee, Home Builders Assn.

of the Virgin Islands.

RADFORD, Frank R., Home Builders Assn.

of Va.

LUNDSTROM, Boyd, Home Builders Assn. of

Washington

RITENOUR, Woodrow, Home Builders Assn.

of W. Va.

KILPS, Donald W., Wisconsin Builders Assn

FEDERER, M. V., Home Builders Assn. of

Cheyenne, Wyoming

THOMPSON, Robert O., Home Builders Assn.

of Ohio

O'CONNELL, W. J., Home Builders Assn. of

Okla.

GILBERT, Ken D., Master Builders of

Oregon

HAWBAKER, J. Alvin, Home Builders Assn, of

Pa.

TYLER, Curt, Home Builders Assn. of R.I.

GRIMSLEY, L. Dwight, Home Builders Assn.

of S. Carolina

TESLOW, Ralph B., Home Builders Assn. of

Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

JOHNSON, Aubrey H., Home Builders Assn. of

Tenn.

LEE, Leland G., Texas Assn. of Home

Builders

LEE, Virginia Gail

PACKER, Herbert M., Pa. Home Builders

Assn.

DEASY, Robert, World Telegram and Sun

FWLER, Glenn C., New York Times

HOLTON, James L., New York World Telegram

LYMAN, Richard B., New York Herald

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NARMORE, Allen R., Houston Post
SAVAGE, Harry, New York Journal American
SCHNEIDER, Ben, N.Y. World Telegram
GAVIN, James, Chicago Tribune
CAMERON, Thomas G., Los Angeles Times
O'LEARY, Daniel F., Bulletin
TELLER, Oscar B., Inquirer
KEITH, James D.
KNOZELMAN, F. Carl, Detroit News
TSCHIMART, Don, Detroit News
WOERPEL, John A. Free Press
MOOSHIAN, Charles, Sun
WILLIAMS, Carroll E., News-Post
BROOKS, Chet, Houston Post
EVANS, Charles, Houston Chronicle
BRENNAN, Bob, Cleveland Press
BROWN, David R., Cleveland Press
GLEISSER, Marcus, Plain Dealer
POOLE, Daniel Star
WILLMANN, John B., Post
LINK, David E., Sentinel
KEELEY, Robert J., Chronicle
TAYLOR, Brian W., Examiner
BOLAND, Edmund, Globe
DORMAN, William E., Herald
FRANCIS, Edwin A., Record-American
KNEELAND, Paul F., Globe
DICKEY, Charles, Times Herald
STEPHENSON, Jim, News
Times Picayune
States Item
BOLLINGER, David, Pitts. Press
TREUTER, Florance, Light
SMITH, Clyde, Union
STAPLES, Alice, Times
HIGGINS, Joseph, Courier Express
RICHMOND, Dean, News
WEISKITTEL, Ralph J., Enquirer
McGEE, Mike, Commercial Appeal
PITTMAN, Kay, Press Scimitar
Denver Post
LOWE, Warren, Rocky Mountain News
CLEVELAND, Bill, WAIL-TV
CHUCKER, Harold, Star
GOODPASTER, Ed, Minneapolis Star

BALDWIN, William, Sun Times
JEDLICA, Albert, News
BOLGER, J. F., American
HOME BUILDERS ASSN. of (State) as follows
PORTER, Joe T., of Ala.
CLEMMER, Morris R., of Alaska
GODWIN, Fredrick I., of Phoenix
WITHERSPOON, Lawrence, of Little Rock, Ark.
ELAM, Richard F., of San Fran, Calif.
NEVILLE, Keith B., of Metropolitan, Denver
SPOLL, Geo L., of Conn.
HUTCHINSON, Charles F. L., of Dela.
DUFFIE, Ralph J., of Wash.
ALBERT, James M., of Fla.
KANAAKI, Bert, of Hawaii
DEWEY, J. W., of Southwestern Idaho
HENDERSON, Leland H., of Ill.
SMITH, John E., of Indiana,
YODER, Earl M., of Iowa
ROBB, Ronald L., of Topeka
ROBERTSON, Norris, of Kentucky
MONSUR, Hab., of La.
BOAELY, Melvin G., of Md.
SMITH, Robert F., of Mass.
COBB, Richard, of Mich.
ZUBECK, George W., Jr., of Minneapolis
PARTRIDGE, Donald, of St. Paul
LAYTON, Kenneth C., of Miss.
THOMPSON, William V., of Greater Kansas
City
SCHNELDER, Everett, of Greater St. Louis
CARPENTER, Harian E., of Montana
JACOBS, W. L. "Jat", of Omaha
CLELAND, C. R. "Bud", of Southern Na.
DINWIDDLE, Stewart, of Northern Na.
O'MALLEY, Andrew, of N. H.
SOLONDZ, Philip J., of N.J.
MOORE, Roy, of New Mexico
STACKLER, Walter, of N.Y.
ROBINSON, C. Phil, Jr., of N.C.
WOLF, Joseph E., of Birmarch-Mandann
SIMPKINS, Tal
COGEN, Joel
NICKERSON, Eugene



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MEMORANDUM FOR Joseph A. Califano, Jr.
Special Assistant to the President
The White House

Attached are two publications of the Agency.
These set forth the existing programs fairly
adequately. I will supplement them with a resume
of the new legislation and its implications.

Rob.
Robert C. Weaver
Administrator

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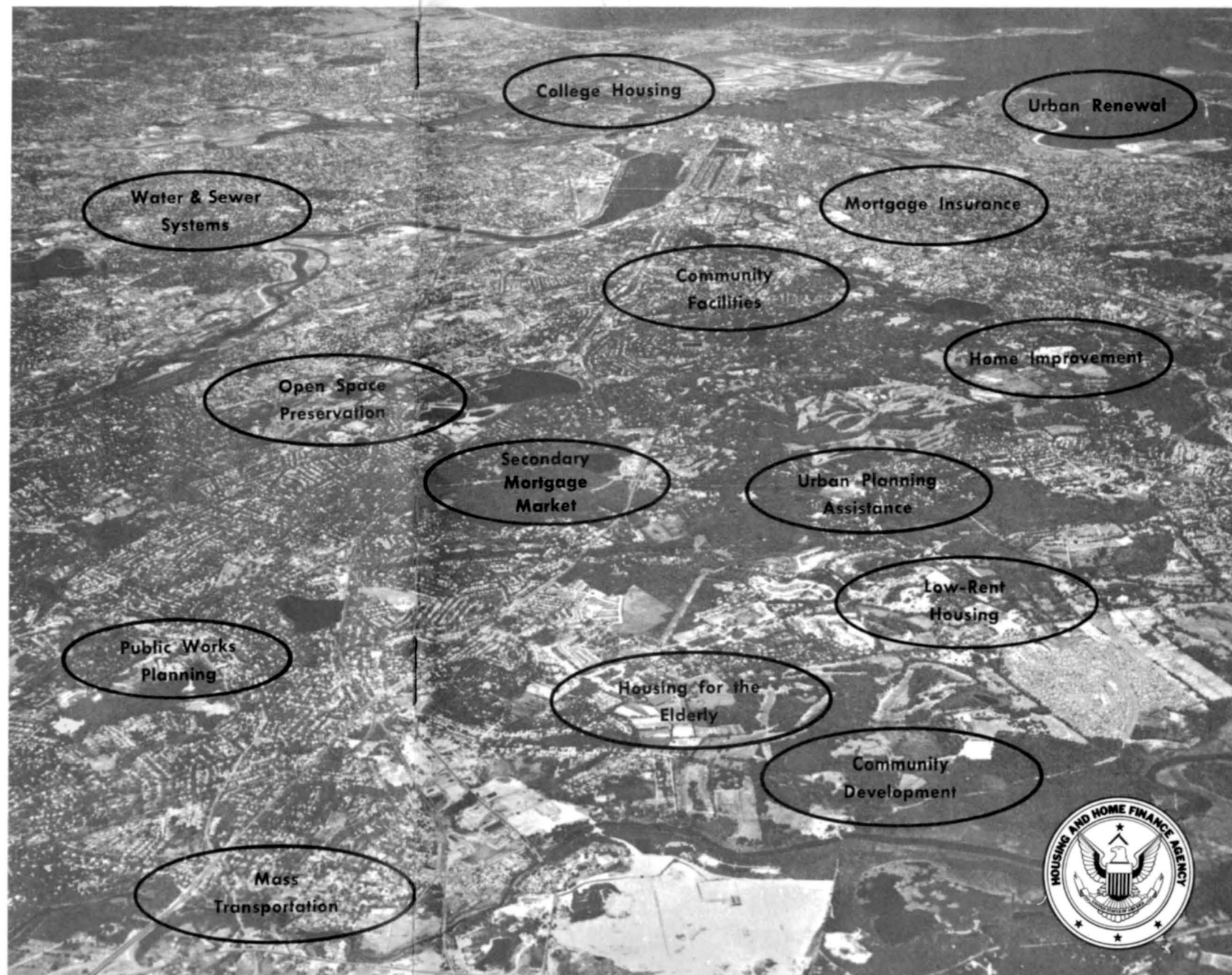
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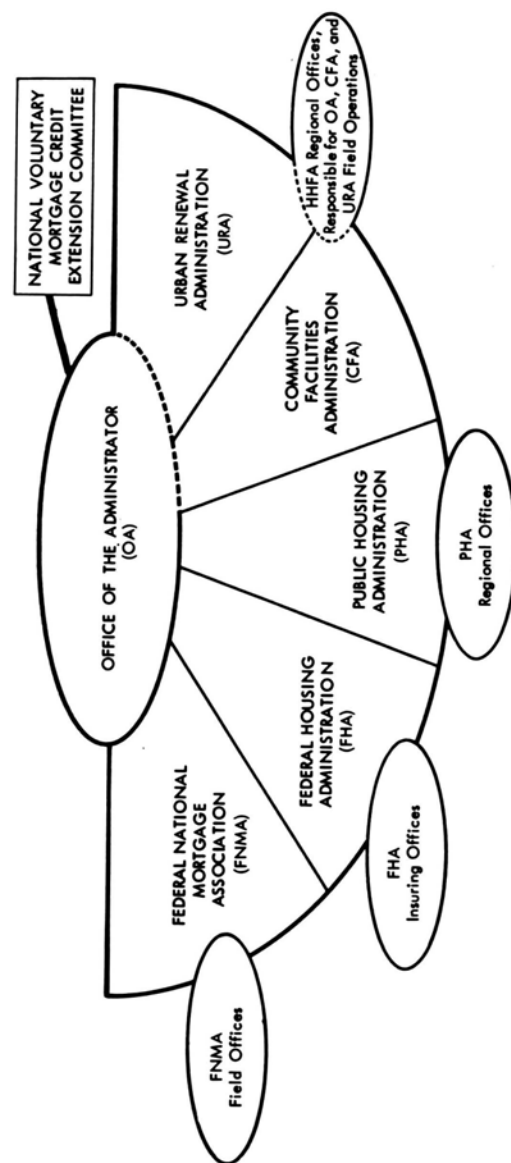
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HHFA FIELD ORGANIZATION

HHFA Regional Offices (serving OA, URA, CFA) at New York, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Chicago, Fort Worth, San Francisco, and Santurce, P.R.
 FHA: 76 Field Insuring Offices and 6 Zone Multifamily Housing Offices

PHA: Regional Offices at New York, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Chicago, Fort Worth, San Francisco, and Santurce, P.R.
 FNMA: Agency Offices at Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Philadelphia, and Los Angeles

"The Congress hereby declares that the general welfare and security of the Nation and the health and living standards of its people require . . . the realization as soon as feasible of the goal of a decent home and a suitable living environment for every American family."

Declaration of National Housing Policy
 The Housing Act of 1949

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY

What it is / What it does

THE HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY (HHFA) is the Government agency responsible for the principal Federal activities and programs concerned with housing and community development. It was established July 27, 1947, by the President's Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1947, replacing the previously existing National Housing Agency.

HHFA is made up of the Office of the Administrator (OA) and five constituents:

Federal Housing Administration (FHA), which insures private lenders against loss on home and project mortgages and property improvement loans;

Public Housing Administration (PHA), which administers the program of Federal assistance for low-rent public housing;

Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), which buys and sells Government-backed home loan mortgages, and makes short-term loans secured by such mortgages;

Community Facilities Administration (CFA), which extends financial and technical aid to communities for the planning and construction of needed public facilities, and makes loans to institutions of higher learning for needed student and faculty housing and related facilities, and to private nonprofit organizations and public agencies for housing of senior citizens;

Urban Renewal Administration (URA), which administers the Federal programs of grants for comprehensive urban planning and of financial and technical assistance to communities in urban renewal undertakings■

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

OA has clearly defined responsibilities in three basic categories—

Supervision and Coordination

The Housing and Home Finance Administrator is responsible to the President for over-all policy determinations, and supervises and coordinates the activities of the five constituents to insure consistency with over-all policy in order to promote efficient and coordinated use of all program operations toward common objectives.

OA is responsible for final formulation of legislative and budget recommendations for the agency as a whole. It also provides a central point of inquiry and contact for the public and industry on over-all housing and community development matters.

Program Responsibilities

The HHFA Administrator is also responsible for:

- Approval of Workable Programs for Community Improvement developed by local communities for the prevention and elimination of slum and blight conditions, and certain other statutory requirements in connection with urban renewal activities.
- Grants and loans to improve urban mass transportation systems and facilities.
- Grants for demonstration projects on ways of providing housing for low-income families and persons.
- Cooperation with local and Federal agencies in providing housing and community facilities for disaster victims.
- Conducting or contracting for urban studies and housing research.
- Exchanging housing and urban development data with other nations.
- Planning for the provision of housing and community facilities in event of enemy attack.
- Disposition of certain residential and related properties of the Atomic Energy Commission, and management and disposition of certain properties remaining from the war and emergency housing programs.

Other Statutory Duties

The HHFA Administrator is also:

- Chairman of the National Voluntary Mortgage Credit Extension Committee, which represents lenders, builders, and real estate boards, and whose purpose is to find private lenders for Government-backed home loans for home buyers in credit-short areas and for minority group homebuyers in any area.
- Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal National Mortgage Association.

Many HHFA activities are conducted through the Agency's Regional Offices. A list of these offices, giving their jurisdictions and addresses, is inside the back cover of this pamphlet.

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

Under authority of the National Housing Act as amended, FHA insures mortgage loans made by approved lending institutions and secured by homes, rental and cooperative housing projects, nursing homes, and mobile home courts. It also insures approved lenders against loss on property improvement loans. FHA does not make loans or build housing.

The small premium charged by FHA on each loan it insures, together with income from fees and investments, is used to pay its expenses and insurance losses and to establish its insurance reserves.

The various FHA insurance programs are identified below by the titles and sections of the National Housing Act that authorize them.

Title I

Provides for FHA insurance on loans made to finance alterations, repairs, and improvements to homes and other structures and the building of new small nonresidential structures. For most loans, neither collateral nor prior FHA approval is required.

Title II

Provides for FHA insurance of the following kinds of mortgage loans:

Section 203. Loans to finance the building, buying, and refinancing of one- to four-family dwellings. Loans to finance major improvements to one- to four-family dwellings are also insured under this section.

Section 207. Loans on rental housing projects of eight or more units, and on mobile home courts.

Section 213. Loans on cooperative housing projects of five or more units, and supplementary loans for improvements, repairs, or the provision of community facilities to serve the projects. Section 213 also authorizes FHA to furnish technical advice and assistance in the organization of the cooperatives and in the planning, development, construction, and operation of their housing projects.

Section 220. Loans for the construction and rehabilitation of homes and multifamily housing located in urban renewal areas.

Section 221. Loans for the construction and rehabilitation of homes and multifamily housing for families displaced by urban renewal or other governmental actions, and for middle-income families in general. (Section 221(d)(3) mortgages on multifamily rental housing may carry a below-market interest rate, and FHA

may waive its insurance premium, provided the projects are sponsored by nonprofit or limited-dividend corporations, cooperatives, or certain public bodies.)

Section 222. Loans for the building or buying of single-family homes by servicemen on active duty.

Section 231. Loans for the construction or purchase and rehabilitation of rental housing projects of eight or more units for elderly persons.

Section 232. Loans for the construction or rehabilitation of privately owned and operated nursing homes providing skilled nursing care and related medical services.

Section 233. Loans for the construction of one- to four-family homes and rental projects of eight or more units using advanced technology in design, materials, or construction or experimental property standards for neighborhood design with the object of reducing cost and improving quality.

Section 234. Loans for individually owned family units in multifamily structures of five or more units (condominiums).

Title VIII

Provides for insurance of mortgages under the following sections:

Section 803. Loans on rental projects of eight or more units for military personnel at or near military installations, on certification by the Secretary of Defense.

Section 809. Loans on one- to four-family owner-occupied homes for employees at research or development installations of the military departments, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, or the Atomic Energy Commission.

Section 810. Loans on single-family and multifamily rental housing for personnel at military installations and other employees designated under Section 809■



PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

PHA administers the federally assisted low-rent public housing program by providing financial aid, technical assistance, and development and management advice to participating local housing authorities. The occupancy of housing aided by this program is limited to those of low income who are unable to afford decent, safe, and sanitary private housing in the locality.

Federally aided public housing is owned and managed by local housing authorities established under State laws and its permanent financing is obtained through sale of bonds on the private market, repayment of which is supported by the guarantee of annual contributions from the Federal Government. Local communities also contribute to the cost of public housing by means of tax exemption under State laws.

Housing authorities, however, make payments in lieu of taxes generally equal to 10 percent of shelter rents.

Federal financial assistance to low-rent public housing takes two forms:

- Loans to help finance the development and construction of housing units.
- Annual contributions (subsidies) to enable local authorities to hold rents at levels within the means of low-income tenants.

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

FNMA is an instrumentality of the Federal Government which improves the distribution of home loan funds by providing a readily available secondary (resale) market in which investors and lenders may buy and sell FHA-insured or Veterans Administration-guaranteed (GI) home loans. FNMA may also make short-term loans which are secured by FHA- or VA-backed mortgages.

FNMA also operates, under liberalized terms, special assistance programs through which it may buy FHA- or VA-backed mortgages for housing in urban renewal areas, for new or rehabilitated housing for middle-income and displaced families (see FHA "Section 221"), for the elderly, for disaster victims, for cooperative housing, and for other specific types of housing as designated by Congress or deemed by the President to be in the public interest.

In addition, FNMA is responsible for the management and liquidation of certain mortgages it acquired before it was rechartered by Congress in 1954, or which it subsequently acquired from some other agency of the HHFA■

COMMUNITY FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION

CFA administers various programs of financial and technical assistance in the planning and construction of public facilities and in the provision of specialized housing for institutions of higher learning and for senior citizens.

These programs are:

- Loans to assist colleges and universities to finance housing and related facilities for students and faculty members, or to assist public or nonprofit hospitals in providing housing for student nurses, interns, and resident physicians.
- Loans to local public agencies for the construction of needed public works.
- Loans to private nonprofit corporations, consumer cooperatives, and certain public agencies to provide housing for senior citizens.
- Supervision and disposition of securities held by the Government in connection with the three types of loans listed above.
- Interest-free advances to State and local governments to finance the planning of non-Federal public works.

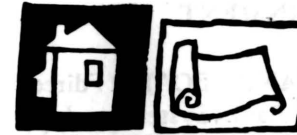
Under agreement with the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, CFA provides technical services and supervises construction of school facilities for which Federal aid is provided by that Department's Office of Education.

Under agreement with the Department of Commerce, CFA provides technical assistance for making loans and grants in designated redevelopment areas, as authorized by that Department's Area Redevelopment Administration.

CFA is also responsible for the orderly liquidation of certain programs whose legislative authority has expired. These are the Alaska housing program, the prefabricated housing loans program, the war public works program, the defense community facilities program, the first and second advance planning programs, and the public agency loan program (Reconstruction Finance Corporation)■



URBAN RENEWAL ADMINISTRATION



URA administers the Federal programs of financial and technical assistance which communities may utilize in their efforts toward the elimination and prevention of slums and blight, and the removal of the factors that create slums and blighting conditions.

URA makes planning advances, loans, and capital grants to localities for specific urban renewal projects for the rehabilitation of structures and neighborhoods that can be improved in this manner; for slum prevention through neighborhood conservation and code enforcement; and for the clearance and redevelopment of those areas which cannot respond to rehabilitation and conservation treatment. Loans and grants are also available to help a community carry out related phases of a comprehensive urban renewal program, including grants for the preparation of community-wide renewal programs and general neighborhood renewal plans. URA also makes relocation grants to communities to reimburse residents and businesses displaced from an urban renewal area.

Under the Urban Planning Assistance Program, URA makes grants for comprehensive planning, including transportation planning, for the orderly growth and development of metropolitan and other urban areas in their entirety. Grants also are available for State and interstate comprehensive planning and for planning in disaster areas and in areas experiencing the impact of a Federal installation. With certain exceptions the grants are made to official State, metropolitan and regional planning agencies to finance up to 1/2 of the cost of the planning work—up to 1/4 of the cost for municipalities and counties in redevelopment areas designated under Section 5 of the Area Redevelopment Act. Local or State sources must provide the balance in all cases.

URA makes demonstration grants to aid localities in developing, testing, and reporting on improved techniques for preventing and eliminating slums and blight.

URA also makes grants to aid States and local public bodies in the acquisition of land required in connection with comprehensive urban plans to be used as permanent open space for recreational, conservation, or scenic purposes.

It also provides technical assistance to localities in preparing and developing their urban renewal plans and programs■

OTHER HOUSING AND HOME FINANCING ACTIVITIES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT

The FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK BOARD directs operations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, which were established to encourage home ownership and sound home financing, to promote thrift, and to protect the savings of small investors. The Board also is responsible for the supervision of Federal savings and loan associations.

The VETERANS ADMINISTRATION is responsible for handling GI home loans and home-loan guaranties.

The DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE has primary interest in matters relating to farm housing as part of its general farm program and—through its Farmers Home Administration—administers rural housing and farm ownership loan programs.

The DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE collects housing and construction statistics (Bureau of the Census), tests building materials (National Bureau of Standards), and administers the various aids authorized by the Area Redevelopment Act (Area Redevelopment Administration).

The DEPARTMENT OF LABOR collects and analyzes statistics on construction employment, helps recruit construction labor, promotes apprentice training for construction workers, and enforces various Federal labor standards where applicable.

The DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, the ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, and the NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION are responsible, as applicable, for certifying the need for military or civilian housing to be financed with mortgages insured by FHA under Sections 222, 803, or 809 of the National Housing Act.

The DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE, through its Office of Education, provides Federal financial assistance for schools in Federally-impacted areas and—through its Public Health Service—carries on studies and projects in health and sanitation as they are related to, or are affected by housing and community developments.

The SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION makes loans to disaster victims for the repair, acquisition, or construction of homes.

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY

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The Housing and Home Finance Agency has a field organization, consisting of HHFA Regional Offices, serving the Office of the Administrator, the Urban Renewal Administration, and the Community Facilities Administration; Regional Offices of the Public Housing Administration; Insuring Offices of the Federal Housing Administration; Agency Offices of the Federal National Mortgage Association; and Regional Committees of the Voluntary Home Mortgage Credit Program. Following are the HHFA REGIONAL OFFICES where information on all programs may be obtained:

REGION	CITY	JURISDICTION
I	346 Broadway New York, N.Y. 10013 Phone: Rector 2-8000	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont.
II	1004 Widener Building Chestnut & Juniper Streets Philadelphia, Pa. 19107 Phone: Locust 8-0400	Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia.
III	645 Peachtree-Seventh Building Atlanta, Ga. 30323 Phone: Trinity 6-3311	Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee.
IV	360 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, Ill. 60601 Phone: 828-4400	Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin.
V	Federal Center 300 West Vickery Boulevard Fort Worth, Tex. 76104 Phone: Edison 5-4211	Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas.
VI	450 Golden Gate Ave., P.O. Box 36003 San Francisco, Calif. 94102 Phone: Klondike 2-2350	Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Guam, Hawaii.
VII	P.O. Box 9093 1608 Ponce de Leon Avenue Santurce, Puerto Rico 00908 Phone: 724-6060	Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands.

Responsibilities of the Housing and Home Finance Agency

1947 through 1964

**(Revised) March 1965
Office of the Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D.C. 20410**

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY

The Housing and Home Finance Agency was established in 1947 -- eighteen years ago -- with general coordinating responsibilities to keep the relatively distinct and functionally separate housing finance programs of that day moving toward the same broad objectives.

Since then, the Nation's phenomenal urban and housing growth has brought to the Federal Government a succession of new and renewed responsibilities to assist communities and States in coping with these complex problems. The spectrum of housing itself has broadened to serve varied new and special requirements, and has become intermeshed with problems of renewal, planning, land use, community facilities, and mass transit which affect the fabric of our growing communities, large and small.

The HHFA is no longer an agency dealing with a few single-purpose, separate programs in the field of housing. It is the Federal agency primarily concerned with urban development and housing, administering a wide variety of interrelated programs, all directed toward better homes and better communities.

Moreover, the major programs of this Agency have become rooted in our national economy and have grown into a pattern of Federal assistance to States, localities, and the private housing industry. Except for certain recent programs set up initially on an experimental basis, virtually all of the HHFA functions are permanently established, or have been operating on a continuing basis, in some instances for as long as a quarter of a century, with the Congress reexamining them periodically as to scope and detail in the light of changing requirements.

These aids intimately affect the lives, welfare, and future of three out of four of our citizens who make up the populations of our cities, urban areas, and small towns. They provide the leverage which most of our State and local governments need to cope with their urban growth.

HHFA Program Changes over Eighteen Years

When the Housing and Home Finance Agency was established in 1947, only two of the major programs it now administers were included in the scope of its operation.* These were (1) the basic FHA (Federal Housing Administration) mortgage insurance programs for home purchase and rental projects for people of average means, and for repairs and minor improvements to existing homes; and (2) the PHA (Public Housing Administration) program of Federal aid to local communities to provide public housing for low-income families.

Today these original programs have been continued and enlarged, and a large number of other programs of much broader scope have been established or added to the HHFA's area of responsibilities.

The whole range of HHFA programs for urban renewal and redevelopment, urban and metropolitan planning, open space land, mass transit, and community facilities did not exist in their present form and have been created or added to HHFA's functions.

In the related housing field, programs have been added to support an adequate flow of mortgage financing for FHA and for Veterans Administration housing loans; to deal with the growing problem of housing for the elderly and the handicapped both through private and public financing; to meet many types of special housing needs, including the rehabilitation and redevelopment of blighted urban areas, the needs of moderate as well as lower income families, the support of cooperative housing, of housing and related needs in our colleges and universities, of nursing homes, of disaster housing needs, of private housing needs of military personnel; and to make financing available for major improvements and rehabilitation of existing homes.

* A third major program, that of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, then included in the HHFA, was established as a separate agency by the Housing Amendments of 1955.

Scope of HHFA Responsibilities Today

Today the HHFA programs are carried out through five operating constituent agencies, most of them with multiple responsibilities. These are:

- FHA (Federal Housing Administration)
- PHA (Public Housing Administration)
- URA (Urban Renewal Administration)
- FNMA (Federal National Mortgage Association)
- CFA (Community Facilities Administration)

Only two constituent agencies, confined to single-purpose programs, were needed in 1947 for the programs that have been continued under the HHFA's administration.

The Housing Administrator's responsibilities have also become more complex and far-reaching. They involve program coordination in such fields as urban renewal, housing for the elderly, and low and moderate income housing in which three or more constituents are operating; coordination of planning and urban programs with those of other Departments and Agencies in the Government; and development and administration of new or special programs, such as the new program of loans and grants for urban mass transportation.

Since it is sometimes confusing to find segments of a basic operation, such as urban renewal or housing for the elderly, carried on by different administrative constituents of the HHFA, this booklet endeavors to identify the Agency's principal functions today as they relate to one another in purpose and use rather than in terms of their administrative organization.

It is hoped that this will assist officials, industry people, and the general public better to understand the Agency's programs in terms of their applied use in the community and in the private market. Certain types of functions, such as housing and urban studies and disposition of Government-owned atomic towns, are not included, since they either relate equally to all the programs or have no functional relationship to any of them.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

In Summary: The earlier basic programs of FHA mortgage insurance and of public housing assistance have been continued and enlarged. In addition, a wide variety of responsibilities have been added to:

- (1) Assure an adequate flow of mortgage financing for the Nation's housing needs;
- (2) Develop a source of financing for major home improvement;
- (3) Meet the special financing needs for housing in urban renewal areas, for the elderly and handicapped, for colleges, for middle income and cooperative groups, for families displaced by public improvements, for nursing homes, and for various other special demands.

This aid primarily is through support of private financing, with public financing used in varying degrees where necessary.

Private Financing Aids

General Housing Market:

Basic Mortgage Insurance: FHA's basic mortgage insurance for homes and apartments -- under which some 8.7 million dwelling units have been financed -- now extended and enlarged to serve a broader area of need, including housing for families of moderate income and lower cost homes in outlying areas and small towns. FHA mortgage insurance has been a continuing established program for 30 years, and is subject to customary review and renewal of its authorization by the Congress in 1965.

Home Improvement: FHA's basic insurance program for repairs and minor improvements on existing housing -- under which more than 27 million home improvement loans have been made. This Title I program has been in continuous operation since 1934 (except for a ten-month lapse in 1937-38) and is again subject to Congressional review and renewal in 1965.

Major Repairs and Rehabilitation: FHA's new long-term, lower cost insurance of financing for major improvements and rehabilitation of our existing housing supply. The 1960 Census revealed that, despite record expenditures on home improvement, one out of six of our occupied housing units -- more than 8 million -- were still deteriorating or dilapidated. This program is subject to Congressional review and renewal by the Congress along with other FHA authorizations in 1965.

Secondary Mortgage Operations: FNMA improves the distribution of home loan funds by providing a readily available secondary (resale) market in which investors and lenders may buy and sell FHA-insured or Veterans Administration-guaranteed (GI) home loans. FNMA may also make short-term loans which are secured by FHA- or VA-backed mortgages.

Special Housing Needs:

Special Assistance Mortgage Purchases: FNMA's special assistance program to purchase FHA-insured housing mortgages for special programs designated by the President or by the Congress. These currently include mortgages on rehabilitation or redevelopment housing in urban renewal areas; rental housing for the elderly; rental housing for moderate income families; cooperative housing; owner-occupant housing for civilian personnel connected with military research or development program; disaster replacement housing; low-cost housing for families displaced by urban renewal or other governmental action; and certain other special categories of housing. This is a permanent program, subject to limitations established by law.

Moderate Income Housing: FHA's new program for lower cost sales and rental housing for moderate income families, including families displaced by urban renewal or other governmental action. The recently enacted nonprofit rental program at below-market interest rates and other moderate income housing under this program is authorized until July 1, 1965, when it is subject to further Congressional action, except for housing for displaced families, which has no terminal date. Rental or cooperative housing for moderate income families at below-market interest rates (Section

221(d)(3)) is assured of financing, up to authorized limits, by the special assistance program of FNMA. As of December 31, 1964, FHA had issued commitments covering almost 36,000 units of housing at below-market rates.

Urban Renewal Housing: FHA's special mortgage insurance programs for financing of new or rehabilitated housing in urban renewal areas, as well as housing for displaced families, as described under the urban and community aids section of this listing. This is a continuing program (since 1954), subject to Congressional review and renewal of its authorization as part of FHA's general programs.

Cooperative Housing: FHA special mortgage insurance for cooperative housing, involving commitments to date of nearly 157,000 units, to provide housing at lower cost to moderate income families. This is a continuing program (since 1948), subject to Congressional review in 1965 along with other FHA authorizations. Financing of these projects is supported by FNMA's special assistance program.

Condominium Housing: FHA mortgage insurance of "condominium" housing, a developing method of financing individual ownership in multifamily apartments. This new program (1961) is subject to Congressional review in 1965 as part of FHA's general authorization. By the end of 1964 applications covered nearly 1500 units.

Nursing Homes: FHA mortgage insurance for nursing homes, to help meet the need for expanded private facilities for nursing care, especially among the elderly. This is a continuing program (since 1959), subject to Congressional review in 1965 as part of the general FHA authorization. As of December 31, 1964, insurance had been written in the amount of \$168,960,811.

Disaster Housing: FHA 100 percent mortgage insurance for housing to replace homes destroyed in a national disaster area. Such loans are supported through the FNMA special assistance program. A continuing program (since 1954), subject to Congressional action in 1965 as part of the general FHA authorization.

Mobile Home Courts: FHA mortgage insurance of mobile home courts to support private financing of properly equipped trailer parks for the growing mobile home population. Subject to Congressional review as part of FHA's general authorization in 1965. By the end of 1964, some \$4,914,700 of insurance had been written.

Homes for Servicemen: FHA special mortgage insurance for home purchase by regular personnel in the armed services. A continuing program (since 1954), subject to review as part of the general FHA authorization. By the end of 1964 insurance written totaled 152,726 units in the amount of \$2.1 billion.

Defense Housing: FHA mortgage insurance of rental or sales housing for military personnel or essential civilian employees at military and other defense impacted areas. These programs have been extended from time to time. Mortgages on housing for civilian employees and for military personnel in defense-impacted areas are supported by special authorizations under FNMA's special assistance program. Insurance of \$532 million (Sections 809 and 810) had been written by the end of 1964 on currently active programs.

Voluntary Home Mortgage Credit Program (VHMCP): This program, set up in 1954 in cooperation with representative private lenders, undertakes to find lenders for qualified homebuyers in small towns, and for minority buyers anywhere, who are unable to obtain FHA or VA financing in their own locality.

Public Housing

PHA's program of loan and subsidy assistance to local housing authorities, established under state law, to build, own, and operate public housing for low-income families unable to obtain decent private housing within their means. This program has been expanded by the Housing Acts of 1949, 1961, and 1964, and special provisions have been authorized for housing for low-income elderly persons and couples, the handicapped, families displaced by urban renewal, and for low-income family housing in urban renewal areas. This is a permanent

program, originally authorized in 1937, subject to the limitations set by the Congress. At the end of 1964 the total number of units completed or approved in low-rent housing programs under PHA was 714,228.

Housing for Senior Citizens

The growing problems of suitable housing for elderly persons, resulting from the rapid increase in the aging population, particularly in urban and small town areas, has resulted in authorizations by the Congress, starting in 1956, of several types of special housing aid programs using both private financing and special Government assistance. These are all operated as part of the several HHFA operating programs, with an Assistant Administrator designated in 1961 to coordinate them in actual use. These programs are:

Mortgage Insurance: FHA special mortgage insurance for privately financed sales and rental housing designed for the elderly. This is part of the continuing program of FHA, subject to Congressional review of authorization in 1965. Multifamily rental housing for the elderly is supported by special assistance from FNMA. By December 31, 1964, FHA had issued \$481 million in commitments for 40,717 units.

Direct Loans: Direct Government loans to public and private nonprofit sponsors for rental housing for the elderly, administered through the Community Facilities Administration. A permanent program since 1959 within authorization limits set by the Congress. Loans approximating \$214 million had been approved by the end of 1964.

Public Housing: Special authority and aids for the Public Housing Administration to assist local housing authorities to provide units and projects specifically planned for housing of the elderly in the low-income field. A permanent program, with authorization limits set by the Congress. Included in public housing projects under annual contributions contracts were 80,944 units for senior citizens as of December 31, 1964.

College Housing

Federal loans to colleges and universities for housing and related facilities (such as dining halls, college unions, and infirmaries) for students and faculty and housing for student nurses, interns, and resident physicians at hospitals. Since the program was started in 1950, accommodations for about 600,000 persons have been completed or approved for such loans. This is a permanent program, subject to authorization limits set by the Congress. It is administered through the Community Facilities Administration.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

The programs of the HHFA that support community planning, renewal and development involve aids administered by the Office of the Administrator and by all of the five constituent agencies. These aids include outright grants, interest-free advances, loans, mortgage insurance, secondary mortgage market support, and various forms of technical assistance. Some programs are administered under the direction and control of the Housing and Home Finance Administrator; others are carried on by constituent agencies with only general supervision and coordination by the Administrator. All of these community aid programs, unless otherwise noted, are permanent programs without terminal date, subject only to the authorization limitation set from time to time by the Congress. Following are the principal aids to communities:

URBAN RENEWAL: Grouped here are all those aids which support the efforts of communities to halt the spread of blight and eliminate its causes, to rehabilitate or clear and rebuild blighted areas, and to carry out development programs based on comprehensive community planning.

Workable Program for Community Improvement: An official, comprehensive program through which a community devotes its own powers and resources to the elimination and prevention of blight; initial approval and annual review and recertification by Housing Administrator required as a condition for Federal

aid to urban renewal, public housing, and special forms of FHA mortgage insurance. At close of 1964, 798 communities had active workable programs and 387 others were in process of recertification.

Community Renewal Program: A community-wide undertaking to identify urban renewal needs, in relation to available resources, and to project and schedule long-range programs for carrying out renewal activities; aided by Federal grants up to two-thirds of the cost; administered by Urban Renewal Administration. At the close of 1964, 124 communities had undertaken community renewal programs.

Urban Renewal Projects: Specific activities undertaken in an urban renewal area to prevent and eliminate slums and blight and to redevelop for best community use; may involve clearance and redevelopment, rehabilitation, or combination of both; aided by planning advances, loans and capital grants to cities; administered by Urban Renewal Administration. Capital grants generally cover up to two-thirds of the net loss of a project (three-fourths for communities undertaking planning and other administrative activities with their own funds, and communities of less than 50,000 population). By December 31, 1964, the Federally-aided projects totaled 1,545.

General Neighborhood Renewal Plan: Planning and programming of actions in a blighted area of such scope that renewal activities must be staged over a period up to ten years; aided by advances of Federal funds to be repaid from loan funds provided for initial renewal project; administered by Urban Renewal Administration. At the end of 1964, 228 General Neighborhood Renewal Plans had been completed or were in preparation.

Redevelopment and Rehabilitation Assistance: Private redevelopment and rehabilitation in urban renewal areas aided by liberal forms of FHA mortgage insurance for single or multifamily housing; supply of capital funds for such housing augmented by Special Assistance mortgage purchases by Federal National Mortgage Association.

Relocation Assistance: Relocation and rehousing of families, individuals, and businesses displaced by urban renewal project activities assisted by grants from the Urban Renewal Administration to pay moving expenses and any direct losses of property of families and businesses, by special forms of FHA mortgage insurance for low-cost housing to which displaced families can move, by Special Assistance mortgage purchases by Federal National Mortgage Insurance to support FHA program of relocation housing, and by preferences extended to displaced low-income families and individuals for admission to Federally-aided low-rent public housing.

Demonstration Projects: Community projects aimed at developing and improving methods and techniques of urban renewal operations that will help guide renewal programs in other communities; aided by Federal grants up to two-thirds of cost; administered by Urban Renewal Administration. At end of 1964, 54 Demonstration Projects had been completed or were under way.

URBAN PLANNING ASSISTANCE: To encourage and assist orderly development of urban areas to help solve problems of change and growth, Federal assistance is given through the Urban Renewal Administration for comprehensive planning for small communities, metropolitan areas, and States. Planning for urban mass transportation and for preservation of open-space land are included.

Small Communities: For localities having a population of less than 50,000, grants for as much as two-thirds of the planning cost are made through State planning agencies. More than 3,752 small communities had received this help by the end of 1964.

Metropolitan Areas: For metropolitan regional and other areas with more than 50,000 population, grants for as much as two-thirds of the planning costs are made direct to an appropriate metropolitan or regional planning agency. By the end of 1964, 190 such areas had been aided.

States: For States, grants for as much as two-thirds of the costs of State and interstate comprehensive planning are made to State planning agencies.

NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY STANDARDS: Through the neighborhood and community standards which it applies in passing on applications for mortgage insurance for proposed construction, the Federal Housing Administration exercises continuous influence for the improvement of residential areas and the provision of community facilities and amenities that enhance values and encourages local actions in support of sound community development.

OPEN-SPACE LAND: To help localities preserve open-space land needed for sound and orderly urban development, grants are made up to 20 percent (30 percent for agencies with area-wide responsibilities) of the cost of acquiring land to be held as permanent open-space in keeping with an area-wide plan; administered by Urban Renewal Administration. By December 31, 1964, 272 Federal grants had been approved.

PUBLIC WORKS PLANNING: To assist localities in planning for needed specific public works, interest-free advances, to be repaid when construction is begun, are made to non-Federal public agencies to prepare plans for public works they are authorized to plan, finance, and build; administered by Community Facilities Administration. More than 3,900 advances had been approved by the end of 1964. Over 55 percent of the applicants for this assistance were in communities of less than 10,000 population and more than 80 percent were in communities under 50,000.

PUBLIC FACILITY LOANS: For smaller communities (under 50,000 population), which commonly experience difficulty in borrowing on reasonable terms for construction of public works, loans are made to local public agencies with low interest rates and long repayment periods for construction of a wide range of public works; administered by the Community Facilities Administration. In 1964, about 80 percent of these loans went to communities of less than 2,500, with only 4 percent going to communities in the 10,000 - 100,000 population range. By December 31, 1964, 883 loans had been approved.

URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION: Several forms of assistance are available to localities in the planning and improvement of mass transportation systems in conformity with comprehensive planning for urban areas.

Planning Grants: Federal grants for as much as two-thirds of cost are made to appropriate planning agencies for urban transportation planning as part of the program of Urban Planning Assistance, administered by Urban Renewal Administration. Seventy-nine such planning grants had been approved by December 31, 1964.

Loans and Grants: Loans and grants were authorized in 1961 to public bodies to finance acquisition, construction, or improvement of mass transportation facilities and equipment in areas where comprehensive transportation planning was in progress.

Demonstration Grants: Grants up to two-thirds of cost were also authorized in 1961 for projects not involving major capital improvements, which demonstrated how systems of mass transportation could be improved or the need for mass transportation reduced; administered by the Office of the Administrator. Twenty-eight grants had been approved by December 31, 1964.

This loan and grant authority expired on June 30, 1963, but was followed by a new program established under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964.

This new legislation authorized the HHFA Administrator to inaugurate a new program of Federal financial assistance by grants or loans, for urban mass transportation capital improvements. It also authorized the Administrator to undertake research, development and demonstration projects, either directly or by grants, in all phases of urban mass transportation.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES: Engineering, legal and financial services incident to the program of school construction in areas where Federal activities have caused an increase in school population are

performed by the Community Facilities Administration under a working agreement between the HHFA and the Office of Education in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. More than 5,000 of these school projects have been approved since the beginning of the program in 1950.

AREA REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE: As authorized by the Area Redevelopment Act and the Housing Acts of 1961 and 1964, certain urban renewal, planning and community development aids of the HHFA are extended on liberalized terms to communities in redevelopment areas designated by the Secretary of Commerce. The Community Facilities Administration assists the Area Redevelopment Administration in the Department of Commerce by examining applications and making recommendations in connection with ARA's public facility loan and grant program. Under this program, 92 loans and 138 grants had been approved by December 31, 1964.

GROWTH OF HHFA RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1947 -- Establishment of the Housing and Home Finance Agency by Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1947 as a permanent independent agency reporting to the President. The Plan established as constituent agencies of HHFA the Federal Housing Administration, the Public Housing Administration and the Home Loan Bank Board.
- 1948 -- Authorization for a housing research program in the Housing Act of 1948.
- 1949 -- Enactment of the Slum Clearance and Urban Redevelopment Program and of an extended Low-Rent Public Housing Program in the Housing Act of 1949. This Act also contained a Declaration of National Housing Policy and broadened the scope of the housing research program.
- 1950 -- Transfer to HHFA by Reorganization Plans 17, 22, and 23 of 1950, respectively, of the program of Advances for Public Works Planning and the Lanham Act War Public Works program from the General Services Administration; of the Federal National Mortgage Association from RFC; and of the Prefabricated Housing Loan Program from RFC.
 - Enactment of the College Housing Loan Program.
- 1951 -- Assignment to HHFA of the Defense Housing and Community Facilities and Services Program, designed to provide housing and community facilities for defense activities stimulated by the Korean conflict.
- 1953 -- Recommendations of the President's Advisory Committee on Government Housing Policies and Programs, from which most of the provisions of the Housing Act of 1954 evolved.

- 1954 -- The Housing Act of 1954, which broadened the approach to slum elimination and prevention to include rehabilitation and conservation, as well as clearance, authorized the special urban renewal Section 220 and 221 FHA insurance programs, instituted the Workable Program for Community Improvement as a prerequisite to participation in certain Federal programs, and established the Urban Planning Assistance Program.
- Establishment, by an order of the Administrator, of the Community Facilities Administration and the Urban Renewal Administration. These new constituents had previously been divisions in the Office of the Administrator.
- Enactment of the Federal National Mortgage Association Charter Act, which rechartered FNMA as a secondary market facility for home mortgages and authorized it (1) to provide supplementary assistance to the secondary market; (2) to provide special assistance for financing of special types of home mortgages designated by the President of the United States or the Congress; and (3) to manage and liquidate the old FNMA portfolio and subsequently acquired mortgages.
- 1955 -- Enactment of a new program for Public Facility Loans, to be administered by HHFA.
- Separation of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board from HHFA, and its establishment as an independent executive agency.
- 1956 -- Authorization of a program of studies on problems of housing need, demand, and supply.
- Enactment of special programs designed to assist in providing housing for elderly persons, including special consideration for FHA mortgage insurance and special authorities and priorities under the PHA low-rent public housing program.
- 1957 -- Transfer by Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1957 of the RFC public agency loan portfolio to HHFA for liquidation. The

mortgages held by RFC as a result of loans made under the programs of the RFC Mortgage Co., and the Defense Homes Corporation had been transferred to FNMA for liquidation in 1954.

- 1959 -- Enactment of FHA mortgage insurance programs for rental units and nursing homes for the elderly and a program of direct loans for housing for the elderly.
- 1961 -- The Housing Act of 1961, which:
 - Assigned to HHFA new programs to assist urban mass transportation through loans for facilities and equipment and grants for comprehensive planning and for demonstration projects.
 - Enacted a new program of grants to help localities acquire permanent open space land.
 - Provided for new FHA programs for major home improvements and rehabilitation and for experimental housing, and a new mortgage insurance program for displaced families and other low and moderate income families, and for condominium housing.
 - Reduced the interest rate for public facility loans to small communities and authorized a technical advisory service to such communities.
 - Authorized liberalized aids to depressed areas participating in the urban renewal and public facility loan programs, in addition to provision for special programs authorized in the Area Redevelopment Act.
 - Authorized a program of demonstration projects for housing for low-income persons and families.
- 1962 -- Effective November 21, President Kennedy issued Executive Order No. 11063 on Equal Opportunity in Housing prohibiting discrimination by reason of race, color, creed, or national origin in housing owned by or provided through Federal assistance.

- 1964 -- On January 27, President Johnson sent a Housing Message to Congress and the Housing and Community Development Bill of 1964 was introduced to carry out his recommendations, including extended aids for private and public housing and urban renewal and the relocation of displaced families, and new proposals for financing planned development of the outlying sections of rapidly growing urban areas.
- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the ground of race, color, or national origin in any program or activity receiving Federal assistance from the Housing and Home Finance Agency.
- The Housing Act of 1964 strengthened and extended the Federal Government's existing housing, community development and urban renewal programs. Activities subject to termination dates in their laws were continued to October 1, 1965, and additional funds were authorized for certain programs. The Act also authorized major new programs including low-interest rate loans for rehabilitation of dwelling units or business property in urban renewal areas; broadened the program of direct loans for housing the elderly, the public housing program, and FHA programs covering housing for handicapped families and individuals; and established new Federal-State training and fellowship programs designed to develop the skills needed for economic and efficient community development.
- The Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 which authorized grants or loans by the HHFA Administrator to assist States and local public agencies in financing the acquisition, construction and improvement of mass transportation facilities and equipment.

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NOTE FOR Charlie Schultze

Attached is the memo I proposed to send to Bob Weaver. Will you please give me your comments as soon as possible?

Joseph A. Califano, Jr.

Attach.

Nothing else sent to
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ABRAHAM J. MULTER
13TH DISTRICT, NEW YORK

COMMITTEES:
BANKING AND CURRENCY
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
SMALL BUSINESS
JOINT COMMITTEE ON
DEFENSE PRODUCTION

DEMOCRATIC WHIP, ZONE 2

This was handled by Mr. Jacobsen
by telephone 8/9/65 -

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July 30, 1965

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Honorable Jake Jacobsen
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Jake:

Enclosed is a copy of my letter of July 23 to Secretary Udall and his answer to me of July 26. Also enclosed is a release mailed to me on July 26 by the Housing and Home Finance Agency dealing with the same subject, together with a copy of my letter to Doctor Weaver.

As I indicated to you when we discussed this on the telephone, there can be no doubt but that Secretary Udall and his office have been spending days, if not weeks, on the matter of use for recreational purposes of the entire New York Shorefront.

Practically all of the shorefront in New York City that could be devoted to recreational purposes is in the Congressional districts represented by Congressmen Celler, Murphy and myself, with probably the largest portion of it in my district, running from the Narrows in Brooklyn around the Lower Bay and the oceanfront from Sea Gate to and including Sheepshead Bay.

A substantial grant had been authorized by Secretary Udall for study of this matter and it must have been done long in advance of July 23, because Senator Kennedy in cooperation with Secretary Udall had set up a press conference in New York for the morning of July 26.

The Sunday newspapers in New York carried the stories about this proposed press conference.

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Neither I, nor so far as I know, Congressman Celler

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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR SCHULTZ

Your memo to the President on Weaver helped -- and he has followed up helpfully, I hope, with a letter to Weaver.

Here's something more: The President would like to get a government-blessed campaign going to stimulate home buying. My past experience is Weaver doesn't really like to tie up with industry in such efforts -- and I can understand why. But could you put the bug in his ear and get him to submit such a campaign plan to the President. There are many good public relations reasons as well as economic reasons for Weaver to have such liaison.

Horace Busby
Special Assistant to the President

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Dear Bob:

Charlie Schultze has just told me today about the remarkably effective job you and your Task Force are doing. In fact he says that of all the Task Force reports Budget has seen, yours is clearly the best.

I am proud to hear this -- and thank you for your helpful cooperation. We are making more progress than ever toward meeting our real social needs in modern, urban America. What we do on the next budget -- to trim outmoded programs -- will have much to do with continuing this progress. I hope others will follow your fine example.

Sincerely,



LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Robert Weaver
Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C.

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BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
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July 27, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: HHFA Task Force Report

This morning I met with HHFA Administrator Weaver on his budget preview and his Task Force report.

Of all the Task Force reports I have seen thus far, Weaver's was clearly the best. It showed real imagination and a bona fide attempt to assess low priority programs for possible elimination.

HHFA identified \$389 million of possible program reductions and savings. Additional study will have to be undertaken to determine whether it is in the national interest to take all of these savings, and Dr. Weaver is not ready to recommend that they all be put into effect. However, his report has made it possible for us to identify lower priority areas where reductions can be taken to pay for program increases elsewhere. His Task Force is continuing its work with the objective of further evaluating these savings and finding others.

(signed) Charles L. Schultze

Charles L. Schultze
Director

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July 28, 1965

Dear Mr. Administrator:

The President on July twenty-seventh
signed an Executive Order ^{#11237} entitled "Prescribing
Regulations for Coordinating Planning and the
Acquisition of Land under the Outdoor Recreation
Program of the Department of the Interior and
the Open Space Program of the Housing and Home
Finance Agency," a copy of which is enclosed.

Sincerely,

William J. Hopkins
Executive Clerk

Honorable Robert C. Weaver
Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C.

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July 23, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR LEE WHITE

FROM: Bill Moyers
Special Assistant
to the President

SUBJECT: Meeting regarding 1966 Legislative Program
in the area of Transportation

I would appreciate your attendance at a meeting to be held in my office at 6:00 p.m. on July 29, 1965, on the above subject. We will be meeting with others concerned with the same subject, largely from inside Government.

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I will have some specific suggestions that will need to be staffed out and some others for discussion. It will be helpful if you can organize your own suggestions for fruitful areas of exploration so that we can discuss them at the meeting.

Our broad objective, of course, is a 1966 Legislative Program which will be as appealing as was this year's, as thoroughly related to our national well-being and to the objectives of the Great Society, and as practical of achievement.

I will look forward to meeting with you.

Identical memos to: Alan Boyd, Commerce; Weaver, HHFA;
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MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD GOODWIN

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Special Assistant
to the President

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Identical memos to: Weaver, HHFA; CEA; OEO; Treasury
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The President
The White House

Dear Mr. President:

I believe you will be interested in the enclosed letter I have sent to Dr. Weaver expressing my gratitude for the fine cooperation the Department of Commerce and the Bureau of Public Roads have received from the Housing and Home Finance Agency in helping the 224 affected urban areas meet the planning requirements of the 1962 Federal-Aid Highway Act.

The required planning process is well enough established in these urban areas so that there need be no concern over our ability to approve Federal-aid highway projects without serious delays to the program. This is a very significant achievement by the Bureau of Public Roads which was aided considerably by the excellent cooperation of HHFA, and particularly its Urban Renewal Administration.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary of Commerce

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Dear Dr. Weaver:

I want to thank you personally for your attendance Thursday at the meeting of the task forces in the White House. Our budget problem is big, serious and important. HHFA has a great challenge and great opportunity to set an example for all the other Agencies and Departments in the Executive Branch. I appreciate the spirit in which you and members of your task force are approaching this work -- and I thank you in advance for your contributions.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON



Honorable Robert C. Weaver
Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C.

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Director Schultze, Bureau of Budget memo to Mr. Busby, 6/24/65 attaching memo he sent to Cabinet re task forces to identify areas of savings. He also sent similar memos to 13 major non-Cabinet agencies. 6/30/65 Mr. Schultze sent Mr. Busby list of agencies which should be invited to two meetings which the President wishes to hold with Task Forces. Mr. Busby sent memo to President enclosing recommendations for meetings. --- approved by the President for July 14 and 15th meetings --- 6/1/65, Mr. Schultze sent Mr. Busby draft statement (with different memo to Secy. Defense, McNamara) -- 7/2/65, Mr. Busby advised Mr. Schultze that invitations for meetings sent out for July 14 and 15. 7/2/65 memos sent to following by Mr. Busby asking them to meetings of 14th and 15th: Atty. Gen. Katzenbach; Adm. Housing and Home Finance Agency; Director, Office of Economic Opportunity; Adm. General Services Administration; Adm. United States Information Agency; Adm., Agency for International Development; Adm. of Veterans Affairs; Secy., Health, Education and Welfare; Sec., Labor Department; Sec., State Dept.; Postmaster General; Secretary of Defense; Director, National Science Foundation; Adm., National Aeronautics and Space Admin.; Director, Federal Aviation Agency; Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission; Secy., Commerce Dept.; Secy., Agriculture Dept.; Secy., Interior Dept.; Secy., Treasury Dept.; Alfred B. Fitts., Spec. Asst. to Secy. of Army for Civil Functions; Departments sent list of names attending the meetings to Gwen King. --- 7/8/65, Director Schultze sent memo to Mr. Busby, enclosing draft of memo to each of above listed advising them that the President might call on them for a presentation at the meeting --- 7/9/65, Mr. Busby advised Mr. Schultze that meeting of 7/14 changed to 7/16. Mr. Busby sent memos to ones for meeting on 7/14 and advised them of change -- also asking that they be prepared to summarize their work of Task Force -- memo to meeting of 7/15 advising they also might be called on for report --- 7/16/65, Mr. Busby sent memo to President, outlining Agenda for meetings.

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Ribicoff, Alvin

Dear Congressman:

I have your letter of July 7 discussing the demonstration grant recently approved by the Housing and Home Finance Agency to help assure continuance of the^x West End commuter service of the^x New Haven Railroad. This is, of course, a complex problem, but I am hopeful that we have found a sound approach to a lasting solution.

Moreover, I appreciate the contribution that you have made to increased understanding of the need for action and the development of a course of action that would be most helpful. Your continuing interest and your wise counsel were of great assistance in our consideration of the problem.

The difficulties encountered by the West End commuter service are only symptomatic of the distress affecting urban mass transportation generally. It is our hope that the New Haven project and others carried out under the program the Congress authorized in 1964 will help reduce this problem to manageable proportions and point the way to ultimate solution.

I am confident we can rely on your continued interest in the New Haven project, and that you will do all you can to help bring it to a successful conclusion. We count also on your support for the broad program which seeks solutions for the Nation's problems in the field of urban mass transportation.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
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Honorable Donald J. Irwin
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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July 15, 1965
8:13 p.m.

Mr. President:

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Robert Weaver stated that at your 12:00 o'clock meeting today you told him to come by to see you.

Do you want to see him tomorrow, Friday, July 16th?

Yes _____ No ✓

Marvin



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30 June 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Dolores Stacks
Secretary to Mr. Bruce Thomas
Staff Assistant to the President
The White House

Subject: Request for Autographed Pictures
of the President

Can you please have the President autograph his picture for
two very deserving officials of the Federal Housing Admin-
istration, and send them to me? They are:

XX
Dick Canavan (who is Assistant
Commissioner for Technical
Standards at FHA), and

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Jerry Poston (who is Director
of Public Information at FHA).

Thank you.

Sent to:

Bob Murray
Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Assistant Administrator
for Public Affairs

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

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
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Mr. Thomas' office

Two photographs of the President inscribed:

(1) To Dick Canavan-with best wishes,
Lyndon B Johnson

2) To Jerry Poston-with best wishes,
Lyndon B Johnson

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June 18, 1965

Dear Mr. Weaver:

I am becoming increasingly concerned about defaults on FHA-insured multifamily housing mortgages. I am informed that over 9% of all multifamily mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration have terminated in defaults, and that the default rate has steadily increased over the past few years.

I recognize that the housing projects now going into default were approved two, three, or more years ago and that the current default rate is not necessarily a reflection on the policies and procedures now followed by FHA. I am pleased with the improvements in FHA operations made by Mr. Brownstein since he became Federal Housing Commissioner.

However, I wish you would personally look into the situation to make sure that excessive risks are avoided in FHA multifamily mortgage insurance. Of course, I do not want any procedural restrictions placed on the program which would inhibit the provision of needed housing by responsible borrowers. But I wish you would assure yourself that FHA has adequate market information on which to base its judgment of need, and that its regulations are strong enough to prevent excessive mortgages. I am particularly concerned with the need for strong and effective administration of the programs, both in protecting against abuses and in making certain that prudent decisions are made in the exercise of discretionary authority.

Under present arrangements, the Federal Government bears a heavy responsibility for assuring that projects are soundly conceived and efficiently executed. I believe that the private lender should feel a sense of responsibility for the safety of his investment, and the borrower should have a major stake in the financial soundness of his housing project.

I therefore request that you consider whether further administrative or legislative steps are called for to increase private assumption of responsibility in FHA-insured multifamily mortgages.

*Hand delivered
to Weaver
by KCW*

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If you conclude that action is needed, I should like you to evaluate the alternatives, such as higher down payments, smaller sponsor and builder fees, limitation on insurance to less than the full amount of the mortgage, or other steps which might accomplish the same purpose.

Please give me a report on the results of your consideration.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable Robert C. Weaver
Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C. 20410
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June 18, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR:

George Reedy
Assistant to the President
The White House

SUBJECT:

Probable Evans-Novak column saying the President is uninterested in the rent supplement program

This morning Roland Evans had breakfast with Jim McEwen of the House subcommittee on housing and was exploring the idea that the President is not interested in the rent supplement section in the Housing and Urban Development Bill, and that this is why Congress may not vote it through.

There was no indication when the column might carry such a speculation, which of course would hurt us whenever printed. The supplements are the heart of the bill, and the vote on this will be closer in the House than the vote was Wednesday on the Department proposal.

Bob Murray
Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Assistant Administrator
(Public Affairs)

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17 June 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR:

George E. Reedy
Press Secretary to the President
The White House

Subject:

Suggested Statement by the President on
Rent Supplements if He Holds a Press
Conference After the Cabinet Meeting

As you know, the only key question about passage of the Housing Bill involves rent supplements. If the President is asked any questions about this tomorrow or soon, I would like to suggest a few sentences which might answer the questions:

1. I think the most important thing the President should say is that the rent supplement program is to help the poor. It is a program for poor people.
2. The rent supplement program gives the government an important new weapon in its war on poverty.
3. Crocodile tears are being shed by opponents of rent supplements who say it threatens the 29 year old public housing program. Nothing could be farther from the truth. As a matter of fact, the same section of the bill that sets up the rent supplement program will expand the public housing program to almost twice its annual rate of construction of low rent housing.
4. The rent supplement program has the support of the home building industry and economists believe that the great additional volume of housing starts under the rent supplement program will greatly help the economy.

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Robert W. Murray, Jr.
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MEMORANDUM FOR: George E. Reedy
Press Secretary to the President
The White House

Subject: Suggestion for White House Announcement

This week the Federal Housing Administration is insuring a home loan for an Illinois family that represents the \$100 billion mark of FHA mortgage insurance since FHA was set up in 1935.

On Monday, 14 June, Housing Administrator Robert Weaver sent a memorandum to this effect, with a number of details, to Horace Busby as a suggested report that could be made from the Cabinet meeting which the President will hold on Friday this week. Mr. Busby's office now indicates they will not release this as a Cabinet report, and so I am letting you know in case the White House would like to make the announcement of this important milestone. Details are in the attachment.

Since FHA's computers have already picked out the family and date for this mark, FHA will have to make its announcement this week. Unless I hear from your office today, FHA will have to go ahead and release the information tomorrow. I regret that I could not give you more advanced notice.

Bob Murray

Robert W. Murray, Jr.
Assistant Administrator
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17 June 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Horace Busby, Jr.
Special Assistant to the President
The White House

Subject: More Details on the FHA
\$100 Billion Report

I understand that you now intend to release this information at or after the Cabinet meeting. FHA now has the name of the specific family that put it over the \$100 billion insuring mark. The details are on the attached sheet.

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Attachment

Mr. Busby:

When I talked with Bob Murray at FFHA last night, he thought we had a copy of the attached which is the "story" they were going to release. Actually all we had was the fact sheet re mortgage insurance.

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FHA insurance on June 10, 1965 of a mortgage on the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Leff of Des Plaines, Illinois, brought the agency's aggregate 31-year insurance volume to over \$100 billion.

The Leff home, located at 9276 Dee Road, Des Plaines, is a two-story semidetached house of brick veneer construction. It has 7 rooms, including 3 bedrooms, and was built by Zale Duplex Homes, Inc., of Skokie, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Leff bought the property from the builder for \$23,200 and financed it with a 30-year 5½ percent loan made by the Home Federal Savings & Loan Association of Chicago.

Mr. Leff is underwriting manager for the Lincoln State Insurance Service, Inc., and the Newport Acceptance Company, Inc., both of Chicago. He and Mrs. Leff were married nearly six years ago and have two daughters, four and two years old. They lived in a rented apartment from the time of their marriage until their growing family indicated the need for more room and outdoor play space for the children.

Mr. Leff learned from friends about the FHA system of home financing. He says, "Home ownership is tremendous -- there's nothing like it. We would have bought long ago if it had been possible."



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MEMORANDUM FOR: **The President**
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Attention: **Horace Busby**

Subject: **Housing Topic for Cabinet Report.**

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Further, this places in perspective the attacks on FHA on multi-family foreclosures.

In addition to the attached material, information on the persons involved in the last transaction of the \$100 billion can be made available.

I urge inclusion of this material in the forthcoming Cabinet meeting.


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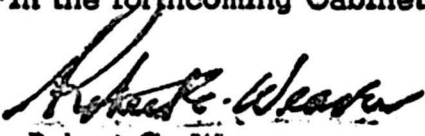
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Mortgage and loan insurance written by the Federal Housing Administration since its establishment in 1934 today totals \$100 billion, President Lyndon B. Johnson announced.

This mark -- representing approximately 8.6 million units of housing -- was accomplished without cost to the taxpayer. The FHA became a self-supporting agency July 1, 1940, and has repaid to the Treasury the seed money advanced in earlier years, a total of \$85 million, including \$20 million in interest. In addition, FHA has built up reserves of \$1.1 billion and in excess of \$30 million will be added in the current fiscal year.

The \$100 billion is composed of insurance written on single-family homes, multifamily projects, and home improvement loans. About \$55.8 billion of the insurance remains in force.

The President said the achievement was made possible through a close working relationship between the private sector of the economy and the federal government. He said the federal government has a responsibility for helping its citizens obtain better housing and FHA serves as a catalyst to make home ownership possible for many families.

The introduction of the program in 1934 was intended to restore confidence in mortgage lending during the depression. This, in turn brought about a great revival in the home building industry.

The census figures of 1930 show that approximately 46 percent of American families were buying or owned their homes. With the economy on an upward swing in 1940, the figure was 41 percent, and today it is approximately 62 percent.

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FACT SHEET

FHA was established on June 27, 1934.

The 100 billion dollar figure is composed of:

- . single family homes -- \$71.2 billion, for 7.5 million units.
- . multifamily housing -- \$12 billion, for 1.1 million units.
- . home improvement loans -- \$16.8 billion, for 27.5 million transactions.

The insurance in force breakdown: \$46.2 billion in single family homes; \$8.3 billion in multifamily housing; and \$1.3 billion in home improvement loans.

FHA mortgage insurance enables lenders to make loans on liberal terms, thus helping families to improve their housing conditions.

FHA's income is derived from premiums on its mortgage insurance, fees, and investments.

FHA started with three basic programs -- single-family housing, multifamily rental housing, and home improvements.

Since then, FHA's portfolio of programs has grown and it now insures mortgages through its 76 field offices on housing for families of low and moderate income, housing in urban renewal areas, housing for the elderly or handicapped, nursing homes, cooperative housing, condominiums, experimental housing, housing for military and some other federal personnel and long-term loans for major home improvements.

There were 215,700 nonfarm housing starts in 1934.

There were 1,522,200 nonfarm housing starts in 1964.

In 1964 approximately 22 percent of all single-family homes sold were financed with FHA insurance.

Over 6.3 million homes have been started under FHA inspection.

Using United States average of three persons per household, the total number of housing units insured by FHA would provide housing for the entire metropolitan populations of New York City (10.6 million); Chicago (6.2 million); San Francisco (2.6 million); Boston (2.5 million); Pittsburgh (2.4 million); and St. Louis (2.1 million. Figures are from the 1960 census.

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to the authority contained in the Public Works Acceleration Act for 1965, I hereby allocate from the appropriation for Public Works Acceleration:

<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Housing and Home Finance Agency	\$100,000

to be expended as required to complete public works projects as authorized by Public Law 87-658 approved September 14, 1962, and as approved under previous allocations as set forth in your letter to me of June 8, 1965.

Will you please arrange for the necessary transfer of funds and advise the Housing and Home Finance Agency when this has been accomplished.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Honorable John T. Connor
Secretary of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

*Original to Hon Charles L. Schultze
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Dear Mr. Weaver:

In response to your letter of May 21, 1965, I am making revisions in the amounts of the Federal National Mortgage Association special assistance authorization available for commitments by the Association as follows:

a. For mortgages on housing for low and moderate income families which are insured under Section 221(d)(3) of the National Housing Act and bear interest below the maximum under FHA regulations, an additional \$112,500,000. This increases the amount of \$1,300,000,000 made available on August 10, 1964, to \$1,412,500,000.

b. For mortgages on housing in urban renewal areas and for displaced families, and home improvement loans insured under Section 220(h) of the National Housing Act on properties in urban renewal areas, a reduction of \$112,500,000. This decreases the amount of \$875,000,000 made available on July 20, 1962, to \$762,500,000.

The foregoing amounts are the aggregate amounts of purchases and commitments which may be outstanding at any one time, and are based upon my determination, pursuant to Section 305 of the Federal National Mortgage Association Charter Act, that such action is in the public interest.

Sincerely,

Honorable Robert C. Weaver
Administrator
Housing and Home Finance Agency
Washington, D. C. 20410

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