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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 17, 1981

FOR: SHERRIE COOKSEY  
FROM: NANCY J. RISQUE *NJR*  
SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN PETER W. RODINO, JR.,  
CHAIRMAN HOUSE JUDICIARY

The congressman is interested, as are other Italo-Americans, in the selection of Ambassador to Italy. I would like to recommend that he be on the pre-notification list.

Thanks.

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 4, 1981

*John F. G. Gatti*  
*Rodino*

FOR: CAROL MC CAIN  
FROM: PATTI BURTNER *Gatti*  
SUBJECT: Congressman Rodino's Office  
225-3436

John Dressendorfer was speaking with Charlie Scalera in Congressman Rodino's office and he asked how he might function more effectively with his tour tickets. He was NOT complaining John emphasized, he just felt they were doing something wrong or not understanding something since they never seemed to be able to get their quota of 10 even though they give about two weeks notice. I told John in order to insure this, they really should get their requests in by the first of the month, giving 30 days rather than the two weeks, although I knew you tried to accommodate those who hadn't used their quota as much as possible.

John felt it would be helpful to have someone call him from the tour office to explain this and whatever else you feel would be appropriate to make the situation as efficient as possible for both of you.

Would you call him when you have an opportunity, or have someone you feel appropriate do so? Thanks.

*Patti =*

*I called Charlie Scalera and told him to please call me if there were any problems obtaining tickets. Also, I told the girls to keep an eye out for Rodino requests and to take care of them. Carol*



B:

fyd  
from  
Ken

September 28, 1982

Honorable Peter W. Rodino, Jr.  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am encouraged by the progress which has been made to date in resolving the differences between the House and Senate versions of S. 734, the Export Trading Company Act. I hope that you will be able to complete your work this week so that this essential legislation can be implemented without delay.

You are undoubtedly aware of reports in today's newspapers regarding our August merchandise trade deficit. The record \$7.1 billion deficit for August reflected a 20.2 percent increase in imports and a 2.9 percent drop in our exports. While our trading partners are becoming more aggressive in the world market, the U. S. share of total world exports has declined more than 3 percent since 1970, representing a cumulative loss of nearly \$80 billion.

The Commerce Department estimates that over 20,000 U.S. businesses currently produce goods and services that can be competitive in the world market, but do not export due to a lack of knowledge and/or resources. By providing the vital link necessary to encourage these firms to begin exporting, our estimates indicate that export trading companies will create more than 350,000 new American jobs.

America needs the Export Trading Company Act, and I strongly urge you to complete your work in time for the Congress to approve the conference report before your recess at the end of the week.

Sincerely,

*Mac Balchige*  
Secretary of Commerce

cc: Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill  
Honorable James C. Wright, Jr.  
Honorable Thomas S. Foley  
Honorable Kenneth M. Duberstein ✓  
Honorable Edwin Meese, III  
Honorable James A. Baker, III

Identical letters to all House and Senate Conferees

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 24, 1983

Dear Congressman Rodino:

I regret that you were unable to attend the briefing yesterday at the White House. The purpose of the briefing was to discuss the newly established National Narcotics Border Interdiction System (NNBIS). Mr. Meese stated during the meeting that the new border interdiction effort would complement the existing South Florida Task Force and the twelve organized crime/drug enforcement task forces.

NNBIS is the next step in the President's program to bring all available resources to bear on reducing the supply of illegal drugs. The new system is designed to strengthen interdiction efforts along our borders, to detect and intercept the drug smugglers, and to stop the drugs before they get into domestic distribution.

Enclosed is a copy of a press release announcing the formation of the National Narcotics Border Interdiction System.

Sincerely,



Carlton E. Turner, Ph.D.

Director

Drug Abuse Policy Office

The Honorable Peter Rodino  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

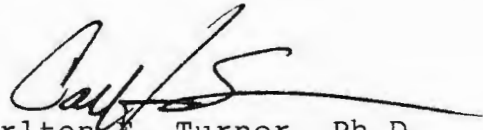
September 23, 1983

Dear Congressman Rodino:

Thank you for the letter and invitation to appear before the Subcommittee on Crime at a public hearing on the use of paraquat to eradicate marijuana.

I am pleased that my schedule will permit my participation. There is a great deal of erroneous information about paraquat and I look forward to having an opportunity to "clear the air."

Sincerely,



Carlton E. Turner, Ph.D.  
Special Assistant to the President  
for Drug Abuse Policy

The Honorable Peter W. Rodino, Jr.  
Congressman  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

*bc: Legislative Affairs ✓*

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September 21, 1983

Dr. Carlton Turner  
 Director  
 Office of Drug Abuse Policy  
 The White House  
 Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Dr. Turner:

The Subcommittee on Crime of the House Committee on the Judiciary is holding a public hearing on the use of paraquat to eradicate marijuana. The hearing is scheduled for 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 5, 1983 in Room 2237 Rayburn House Office Building.

You are invited to testify at this hearing.

A prepared statement and a one-page summary thereof should be submitted for entry into the record of the hearing, and you will be invited to make an oral presentation and to answer any questions the Subcommittee members might have. It is requested that you comply with the enclosed "Notice to Witnesses". The copies of the prepared statement and the summary must be received by the Subcommittee on Crime, 207 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, no later than 48 hours before the hearing.

If you have any questions regarding this invitation, please contact Counsel Hayden Gregory at (202) 225-1695.

Sincerely,



PETER W. RODINO, JR.  
 Chairman

PWR:hgc

Enclosure

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE TO WITNESSES

*Prepared Statements*

Section 113(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 provides that each committee of the House of Representatives shall, insofar as practicable, require all witnesses appearing before it to file in advance written statements of their proposed testimony, and to limit their oral presentation to a brief summary.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

November 30, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR DODIE LIVINGSTON

FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR. *MO*

SUBJECT: REQUEST FROM CONGRESSMAN FRANK ANNUNZIO (D-IL)

Congressman Frank Annunzio (D-IL) has called to request that a Presidential letter of congratulations be sent to Congressman Peter Rodino (D-NJ).

Congressman Rodino is being honored at a dinner on Saturday evening, December 3, sponsored by the American Committee on Italian Migration, at which he is to be the recipient of the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Award.

Since it is most likely too late for a letter to be sent, please have a telegram sent to:

The Honorable Peter Rodino  
American Committee on Italian Migration Dinner  
Sheraton Centre Hotel  
52nd St. at 7th Ave., Georgian Ballroom  
New York, New York

Please let me know if there will be a problem in fulfilling this request. We would like to be able to do this for him.

Thank you.

MEMORANDUM

Annunzio

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

November 30, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR DODIE LIVINGSTON

FROM: M. B. OGLESBY, JR. *fo*

Attached is a letter from Congressman Frank Annunzio (D-Illinois) requesting a Presidential message for Congressman Rodino (D-New Jersey) who is being honored on Saturday, December 3, by the American Committee on Italian Migration.

This is a very important Italo-American group, and I appreciate your help on getting a message for this event.

Please send a copy of the completed message to Congressman Annunzio and to my office.

Attachment

FRANK ANNUNZIO

11TH DISTRICT, ILLINOIS

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Congress of the United States  
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November 30, 1983

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Mr. M. B. Oglesby  
Assistant to the President  
for Legislative Affairs  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear "B.":

Confirming the telephone request of my office to you today, I would be deeply grateful if the President could send a telegram of congratulations to Honorable Peter W. Rodino, Jr., Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, who is being honored in New York City on Saturday, December 3, at the San Remo Holiday Ball being sponsored by the American Committee on Italian Migration.

The Ball will take place on December 3 at the Sheraton Centre, 52nd Street at 7th Avenue, Georgian Ballroom. The reception will begin at 7:00 p.m. and the banquet will begin at 8:00 p.m. Reverend Joseph A. Cogo, C.S. is the Executive Secretary of the American Committee on Italian Migration. The award which Chairman Rodino will receive from the Holy Father (see attachment) is the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Award.

Your assistance and cooperation in insuring that an appropriate message is sent to Chairman Rodino by the President would be deeply appreciated.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely,



FRANK ANNUNZIO  
Member of Congress

FA/sba

Enclosure

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# American Committee on Italian Migration

42 East 23rd Street, New York, N.Y. 10010

Tel. (212) 460-5600

Most Reverend  
Edward E. Swanstrom, D.D. **RECEIVED**  
Chairman of the Board

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Secretary

June 30, 1983

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Dear Chairman Rodino:

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I was pleased to learn from Jim Cline on June 29 that everything seems to indicate that you will be able to be with us at the Sheraton Centre in New York to accept the "~~Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice~~" Award on Saturday, December 3rd next.

In the meantime the application to the Holy Father for this Award is well on its way. Our preliminary groundwork accomplished, Bishop Swanstrom on April 29 sought Archbishop Gerety's consent and approval, which was given, enthusiastically I should like to add, on May 11. On May 31 Bishop Swanstrom proceeded with the formal petition to Apostolic Delegate Pio Laghi. On June 20 Archbishop Laghi informed Bishop Swanstrom that he was submitting the petition to Rome at once, and that it would take three months for the actual award to reach the Apostolic Delegate in Washington. So, we are in goodshape for December.

For obvious reasons we will not identify this award in our publicity until official notification by the Apostolic Delegate will be received. In the meantime, however, we would like to start publicizing the Testimonial Dinner and getting the committee organized. I would appreciate it if you would drop me a note with your acceptance. Jim Cline suggested that I also get in touch with Mr. Soriano, which I will do.

Mr. Juvenal L. Marchisio will be the General Chairman. We thought it appropriate in view of his late father's long affiliation with you in immigration.

- Offices in Italy
- Centro Emigrazione
  - Via Amerigo Vespucci, 170
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  - Via Dante 55
  - Palermo
  - Tel. (091) 333-350
  - Antonio Colao
  - Director

Rev. Joseph A. Cogo, C.S.  
Executive Secretary

STRAIGHT WIRE -- December 2, 1983

The Honorable Peter Rodino  
Member of Congress  
c/o The American Committee  
on Italian Migration Dinner  
Sheraton Centre Hotel  
52nd Street at 7th Avenue, Georgian Ballroom  
New York, New York 10019

Dear Peter:

I am pleased to extend congratulations as members and guests of the American Committee on Italian Migration gather to honor you with the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Award.

This tribute reflects the very high esteem in which you are held by the Italian American community, and I know you must be very proud to receive it.

You have my best wishes for a most memorable evening and, again, congratulations.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

RR:Livingston:dl  
cc: K.Osborne/D.Livingston/B.Oglesby/CF  
EVENT: DEC. 3

