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March 5, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR MARTIN ANDERSON

FROM:

FRANK HODSOLL

SUBJECT:

Presentation of Social Security

Commission Report

Per our conversation in the hall, thank you for being willing to receive the report of the Social Security Commission on behalf of the President.

Attached is the complete and original file on this invitation. Could you have your people contact Gwirtzman directly on behalf of the President and make the necessary arrangements?

Thanks for your help.

ATTACHMENT

WASHINGTON

March 5, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR GREE FEWELL

FROM:

KATE MOORE

SUBJECT:

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While the decision had been made to have the Vice President consider receiving the report of the National Social Security Commission, further study indicates that he should not receive this report. Frank Hodsoll advises that Martin Anderson should receive the report on behalf of the President. (Please note that by law the President is to be presented with this report.)

Frank Hodsoll has spoken with Martin Anderson who has indicated his willingness to receive the report on behalf of the President.

Attached is rationale for recommending that the Vice President not receive this report.

I would appreciate your bringing this matter to the attention of the Scheduling Committee such that final resolution may be made.

Many thanks.

cc: Martin Anderson

Ed Gray

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Date 35

WASHINGTON

March 4, 1981

FOR:

ED GRAY

FROM:

ERIC HEMEL

SUBJECT: National Commission on Social Security

Issue

The National Commission on Social Security will be releasing its final report on March 12. This release may present political problems for the Administration that you and other senior staff members should be aware of.

Background

The National Commission on Social Security was established by Section 361 of the Social Security Amendments of 1977. The Commission is an "independent, bipartisan panel of private citizens" (membership list attached) which was charged by law to conduct a thorough review and investigation of all aspects of Social Security and related programs. The contents of the report are to be considered, in theory, by the President, the Speaker of the House, and the President Pro tem of the Senate.

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Recommendations

Bob Carleson and Marty Anderson have both indicated that the White House should keep the social security issue as low-profile as possible in the coming weeks. My fellow members of the Social Security Working Group would undoubtedly concur.

It is essential that the Administration should do whatever possible to disassociate itself from the report, and to minimize its news value. This should rule out any meetings between members of the

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cc: Ron Frankum

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM

3 MARCH 1981

TO:

JENNIFER A. FITZGERALD

VIA:

ADMIRAL DANIEL J. MURPHY 1/2 /

FROM:

GREGORY J. NEWELL

SUBJ:

SCHEDULING REQUEST.

THE PRESIDENT WILL BE UNABLE TO MEET WITH MR. MILTON GWIRTZMAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON SOCIAL SECURITY, TO RECEIVE THE COMMISSION'S FINAL REPORT ON THURSDAY, MARCH 12.

I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE VICE PRESIDENT CONSIDER RECEIVING THIS REPORT ON THE PRESIDENT'S BEHALF.

PLEASE ADVISE ME OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S AVAILABILITY BY THURSDAY, MARCH 4.

THANK YOU.

National Commission on Social Security Washington, DC 20218

(202) 376-2622

March 2, 1981

The President The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

In accord with the provisions of PL 95-216, the National Commission on Social Security has completed its final report for submission to you and the Congress.

The National Commission is a bi-partisan, independent panel of nine private citizens, chosen in 1978 by the President and the majority and minority leadership of Congress to conduct a complete review and investigation of Social Security and related programs.

The members of the Commission will be in Washington on Thursday, March 12 for their final meeting. We would be very honored to have the opportunity to present our report to you personally. If your trip to Canada makes this impossible, we would like the opportunity to present it to the Vice President.

Milton S. Gwirtzman

Chairman

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

March 3, 1981

NOTE TO CHASE UNTERMEYER

FROM: FRANK HODSOLL

I assume in follow-up to your call; attached is a letter to the president from Gwirtzman. The president will in fact be in town on March 12. I have sent this for quick scheduling decision. If quick scheduling think the y.P. would want to do?

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Attn: Mr. Frank Hodsoll

Office of Chief of Staff

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