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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 12, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR PETER ROUSSEL
DEPUTY PRESS SECRETARY

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING- *Orig. signed by FFF*
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: United Artists Presentation to the President
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"Rocky IV" is a current, Christmas season release, and Weintraub's offer seems a rather transparent publicity stunt to promote the film. With the Rambo comments and White House dinner invitation, the President has already given Stallone more than his fair share of free publicity. I have prepared the attached draft for Roussel's signature, declining the offer. A transmittal memorandum for your signature is also attached.

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I appreciate the spirit in which your offer was extended, and I hope you will appreciate the reasons we cannot accept it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Peter Rousel
Deputy Press Secretary

Mr. Jerry Weintraub
United Artists Corporation
450 North Roxbury Drive
9th Floor
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

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draft response for Roussel

Name of Correspondent: Pete Roussel

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: United Artists wants to present POTUS with gloves + robe worn by Sigmund Stallone in "Rocky IV" for display at the Smithsonian

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Comments: Terry Weintraub

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 4, 1985

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MEMORANDUM FOR FRED FIELDING

FROM: Peter Roussel *PR*

Fred, what do you recommend?

United Artists

December 2, 1985

Mr. Peter Roussel
Office of the Press Secretary
White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Peter,

Further to our telephone conversation, I would like to proceed with the immediate implementation of our proposal to present to President Regan for display at the Smithsonian Institute the gloves and robe worn by Sylvester Stallone in our current release, "Rocky IV."

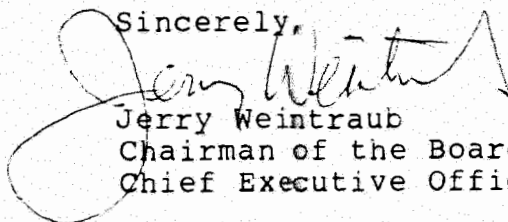
In case you are not aware of it, "Rocky IV," which opened last Wednesday in theatres across America, is the largest Christmas season opening in the history of the motion picture industry. We believe that the success of this picture is a reflection of the fact that the American people have taken into their hearts the character of Rocky Balboa. I am certain that generations of Americans to come would find the gloves and robe used in "Rocky IV" to be of great interest in a display at the Smithsonian relating to the history of motion pictures and contemporary American pop culture.

I feel confident that we can arrange for Sylvester Stallone to personally present these items to President Regan in a suitable ceremony to be held in Washington and to be attended by dignitaries from the highest levels of all branches of the government.

Would you please arrange for someone to contact my office immediately so that we can pursue this and agree upon a target date for the ceremony and the other relevant details.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,



Jerry Weintraub
Chairman of the Board
Chief Executive Officer


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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 2, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS 

SUBJECT: Correspondence Praising the
President for the Geneva Summit

Judge Gary Crippen of the Minnesota intermediate appellate court has written to let the President know he approves of the recent thawing in American-Soviet relations, even though he is "not a partisan supporter of the Reagan presidency." The attached draft reply for your signature thanks Crippen for his encouragement, answers his Learned Hand quotation with a better one, and cites the New Year's exchange of greetings as evidence of continued improvement in our relations with the Evil Empire.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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Thank you again for taking the time to share your views with us. We appreciate hearing from you.

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Name of Correspondent: Gary L. Cripeken

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Subject: Praise President for Geneva Summit

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THE MINNESOTA COURT OF APPEALS.
1300 AMHOIST TOWER
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55102

CHAMBERS OF
HONORABLE GARY L. CRIPPEN
JUDGE

(612) 297-1003

21 November 1985

The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan,
The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:


It happens that I am not a partisan supporter of the Reagan presidency. Nonetheless, it was moving for me to see your genuine effort to improve communications with the Soviet Union. For this you are rightfully commended and your administration will be favorably remembered.

From my profession comes an observation which you might find interesting on the topic of international relations:

"Even in our own interest we must have an eye to the interests of others; a nation which lives only to itself will in the end perish; false to the faith, it will shrivel and pass to that oblivion which is its proper receptacle. We may not stop until we have done our part to fashion a world in which there shall be some share of fellowship; which shall be better than a den of thieves. Let us not disguise the difficulties; and above all, let us not content ourselves with noble aspirations, counsels of perfection, and self-righteous advice to others."

Justice Learned Hand, New York City, May 20, 1945, Justice Hand's second "I Am an American Day" speech.

Very truly yours,


Gary L. Crippen


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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 2, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR CHARLES A. DONOVAN
DEPUTY DIRECTOR
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS 
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Protest from Earl Myers Concerning Action
Taken by U.S. Army in Connection with
Public Lands Leased to Private Citizens

I have reviewed the correspondence file on Earl Myers that you submitted for our review and have no objection to the manner in which his correspondence has been handled. I agree that further correspondence with Mr. Myers is not advisable and recommend that you simply refer any additional materials from him to the Corps of Engineers or other appropriate agency for whatever review or response, if any, that agency considers appropriate.

Thank you for raising this matter with this office.

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WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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Name of Correspondent: Charles Donovan

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Earl Myers
Subject: Protests action taken by US Army in connection with public lands leased to private citizens

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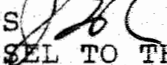
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MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID L. CHEW
STAFF SECRETARY

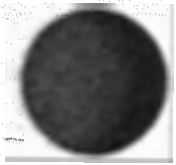
FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS 
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Recommended Phone Call Regarding
Statue of Liberty Radiothon

Counsel's Office has reviewed the recommendation that the President place a telephone call to the Hawaii Alive radiothon to raise funds for restoration of the Statue of Liberty. We must recommend against placing the call.

The Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island Foundation was recently the subject of a generally adverse "20/20" piece, and is currently the subject of a General Accounting Office investigation. When this office last reviewed the question of the President's participation in efforts to assist the Foundation in raising funds -- at the time of a Presidential taping on behalf of the effort -- we were advised by Scheduling that no further Presidential involvement was planned until the Fourth of July activities. In light of the questions that have been raised concerning the Foundation, we recommend avoiding further involvement at this time.

WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET



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Name of Correspondent: Steve Chew

MI Mail Report

User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Recommended phone call re: Statue of Liberty Radiothon

ROUTE TO:

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 1/6/86 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 1/10/86

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDED PHONE CALL RE: STATUE OF LIBERTY RADIOTHON

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REMARKS: Do you have any objection?

RESPONSE:

THE WHITE HOUSE


WASHINGTON

December 26, 1985

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Tom Dancer, Executive Producer, HAWAII ALIVE RADIO

DATE: Between 11:00 p.m. January 18 and 11:00 p.m. January 20, 1986

RECOMMENDED BY: Linda Chavez 

PURPOSE: To encourage the American people to help in restoring the Statue of Liberty.

BACKGROUND: HAWAII LIVE has set a goal of \$2,000,000 for a 48 hour broadcast. They believe the American people will really come through for the First Lady of Liberty, and it is their plan to be able to present the Ellis Island Foundation with a check for that amount. With that in mind, HAWAII LIVE will kick-off the biggest weekend in FM stereo history from the beach at Waikiki. A condensed version of the radiothon will be aired for the Armed Forces on July 4, 1986.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION: Participation by Americans in the restoration of the Statue of Liberty.

DATE OF SUBMISSION: December 26, 1985

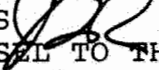
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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January 10, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID L. CHEW
STAFF SECRETARY

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS 
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Memorandum on Grant Management

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced Presidential memorandum, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective.

**WHITE HOUSE
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET**

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Subject: Presidential memo on Grant Management

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM ON GRANT MANAGEMENT

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REMARKS: Please submit any comments/recommendations by Friday, January 10th. Thanks.

RESPONSE:



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: James C. Miller III
SUBJECT: Presidential Memorandum on Grant Management

SUMMARY

This forwards for your consideration a proposed memorandum to heads of departments and agencies, directing them to issue common grant management regulations. Common grant management regulations would further our Federalism and Regulatory Relief objectives by simplifying and providing uniform guidance on grants management to State and local governments, while maintaining effective control over Federal grant funds.

BACKGROUND

As part of the Federalism and Regulatory Relief programs, OMB identified its Circular A-102, "Uniform Requirements for Assistance to State and Local Governments," and the related agency regulations as being among those that would be reviewed with the objective of reducing the paperwork and red tape associated with grant programs. A task force of all the major grant making agencies was set up under the President's Council on Management Improvement. Its goal was to simplify and replace over 20 sets of redundant, burdensome, and inconsistent agency regulations or other nonregulatory guidance affecting grants to State and local governments.

This work has been completed and a revised OMB circular developed; but by itself, the circular will not guarantee prompt or complete implementation of the policy and regulatory changes. Each agency would have to follow up by independently going through its own rulemaking process to establish the policies legally. We do not want each agency to develop its own regulatory version of the streamlined policies. We have recently learned, through implementation of the A-122 lobbying policy, how much agency practices vary and how that undercuts uniform implementation.

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Instead, we would like to skirt the regulatory thicket by getting agencies to issue one set of regulations. The only way to do this is to require by Executive order or Presidential memo that it be done. We believe the memo is the better approach here. This is the same approach taken recently in your memo on the Uniform Relocation Act (Attachment B).

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that you sign the proposed memorandum.

Attachments

MEMORANDUM FOR HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

SUBJECT: Uniform Requirements for Grants to State and Local Governments

In 1971, the Office of Management and Budget issued standards governing the fiscal and administrative requirements for grants and assistance to State and local governments in Circular A-102, "Uniform Requirements for Assistance to State and Local Governments." Circular A-102 was a significant step toward the simplification of grants management at the time. However, after 14 years, some of the provisions are out-of-date, there are gaps where the standards do not cover important areas, and agencies have interpreted the circular in numerous, different ways in their regulations. It is now time for the circular to be revised to reflect developments consistent with our Federalism policies and State and local regulatory relief objective, and the President's Management Improvement Program.

A 20-agency Task Force under the President's Council on Management Improvement, chaired by OMB, was established to review OMB Circular A-102 and suggest ways to simplify grants management requirements. To complete this effort, I hereby direct the following actions:

1. OMB will revise Circular A-102 to specify uniform, Governmentwide terms and conditions for grants to State and local governments and provide policy guidance to Federal agencies on grants management.
2. Within 90 days of the date of this memorandum, all affected executive departments and agencies shall simultaneously propose common regulations that adopt

the Governmentwide terms and conditions verbatim, except where there are inconsistent statutory requirements. Within one year of the date of this memorandum, such departments and agencies shall issue common regulations.

3. OMB shall consult periodically with State and local governments and other affected organizations and interest groups to consider improvements in grants management.
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Ronald Reagan

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 27, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

The purpose of this Memorandum is to improve administration and implementation of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970.

Specifically, I hereby direct the following actions:

1. The Presidential Memorandum of September 6, 1973 on this subject is superseded.
2. As with other Administration management improvement initiatives, a lead agency, the Department of Transportation (DOT), is designated to coordinate and monitor implementation of the Act, and consult periodically with State and local governments and other organizations and interest groups affected by administration of the Act.
3. DOT, jointly with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, shall interact with the principal executive departments and agencies affected by the Act in developing Administration policy.
4. Within 90 days of the date of this Memorandum, all affected executive departments and agencies shall propose common regulations under the Act. Within one year of the date of this Memorandum, such departments and agencies shall issue common regulations under the Act. Such regulations shall be consistent with the model policy promulgated by DOT, in consultation and coordination with other affected agencies, and published in final form in the Federal Register simultaneously with this Memorandum.
5. DOT shall report annually to the President's Council on Management Improvement, through the Office of Management and Budget, on implementation of the Act.

Ronald Reagan

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 13, 1986

Dear Senator Bradley:

Thank you for your recent letter to White House Chief of Staff Don Regan. In that letter you objected to the amicus curiae brief filed by the Department of Justice in Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. v. Zenith Radio Corporation. That case was recently argued before the Supreme Court of the United States, and is currently awaiting decision.

It is the general policy of the White House not to discuss the merits of litigation pending before the Supreme Court involving the United States. The views of the Administration in such cases are formulated and presented by the Department of Justice, in the briefs filed by that Department in the course of the litigation.

I have, however, taken the liberty of referring your correspondence to the Department of Justice, so that the Department will have the benefit of your views.

Sincerely,

Orig. signed by FFF

Fred F. Fielding
Counsel to the President

The Honorable Bill Bradley
United States Senate
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