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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 12, 1983

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Fred F. Fielding Counsel to the President

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Associate Counsel to the

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Mr. John Roberts The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Thank you for your letter and attachments of 3 October, which I received this evening. I appreciate your writing regarding the files on the Working Group on Legal Equity for Women. It is clear that the Department of Justice has not yet contacted the White House regarding their return.

The few files which relate to this project are all still at the Department of Justice. Upon leaving on Saturday, August 20, 1983, I wrote a detailed memoranda to Stewart Oneglia itemizing where all the files were. The files on the Working Group are clearly marked and--presuming they have not since been moved--on the 20th of August were in the bottom file drawer of the only filing cabinet in my office. The only other White House files-though they are really, as best as I can recall public domain material--are in a cardboard box which I left underneath the only table in my office in the Justice Department. The only material relevant to my agreement, however, are in the well-marked file folders in the bottom file drawer.

I appreciate your appending the copy of the agreement regarding these files. I have been trying to find my copy of it since resigning without success. There is only one part of the agreement which, with great frustration, I was unable to fulfill—though by no means without trying. I tried for months to obtain a locked filing cabinet without success from the Department of Justice. Satisfied that the building was well guarded, however, I finally accepted the only cabinet that was available. The documents to be returned are in the bottom drawer. That is in (or was in) Rm 832, 320 First St, N.W., Washington, D.C. Stewart Oneglia, Chief of the Division (Coordination and Review Section) should be easily able to help you locate them for return.

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MEMORANDUM FOR TERRY W. GOOD

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR RECORDS MANAGEMENT

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Many thanks.

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Enclosures filed in Oversize Attachments # 3398 ....

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I called over to the Justice Department (Ken Starr) to determine if the copies of White House files taken by Honegger are still in Honegger's office, and advised that any White House files identifiable as such should be returned to us. I have not yet heard back from Justice. Terry Good of Central Files advised that there was no way of ascertaining if what Justice returns to us - if anything - constitutes a complete set of what Honegger took with her. It will therefore probably be advisable to write Honegger to request her compliance with the terms of the agreement she signed (and remind her that she may not retain copies of White House files, even for use on her forthcoming book). We can revisit this question when we see what files were left behind at Justice.

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#### WASHINGTON

#### March 16, 1982

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FOR:

H.P. GOLDFIELD

FROM:

BARBARA HONEGGER

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SUBJECT:

Continued Use of Files Relating to my Continued Function, While at Justice, as Chairman of the Cabinet Council on Legal Policy Working Group

on Legal Equity for Women

Pursuant to your request, this memorandum confirms my agreement to follow the guidelines set forth by the Counsel's Office, as communicated in our telephone conversation, regarding continued use of files relating to my function as Chairman of the Cabinet Council on Legal Policy Working Group on Legal Equity for Women while at the Department of Justice.

The files referred to are those generated as a result of my function over this past year as policy analyst and resource contact at the White House on issues as they affect women and as Chairman of the Working Group on Legal Equity for Women. Though I will be physically moving to Justice, I will be continuing with the same function begun here at the White House and so will require continued access to information accumulated over this past year relating to that function.

I agree to make copies of all original file documents which are necessary for me to continue my work while at Justice, leaving the originals with Terry Good. All the files moved to Justice will be kept segregated from other files, and not co-mingled with files created while at Justice, or files generated from the files moved to Justice. Justice has agreed to provide lockable filing cabinets for this purpose.

When my tenure with the legal equity function is complete, the files moved from the White House to Justice will be returned to Terry Good, or his successor, and I will take full responsibility to see that that is done. I will notify Counsel's Office in writing when such documents have been returned to the White House.

Per your suggestion, approval of the agreement contained in this memorandum, below, will be sufficient, together with Mr. Good's receipt of originals in the files, to allow me to move the documents to the locked filing cabinet at the Department of Justice.

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### STATEMENT OF DEPOSIT OF PRESIDENTIAL RECORDS

I have turned over all official records and other

materials that were in my custody to the Office of Records

Management or my office. I have not retained copies of any

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