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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1981

Dear Marion:

It was good to hear from you again. One of the most pleasant aspects of my position here is the opportunity it affords me to renew acquaintances with old friends.

I was saddened to hear of your daughter's accident. Certainly it must have provided both of you with many trying experiences. Yet, I know that with the support of your family and friends you and Pat will be sustained through the difficulties which you face and overcome the obstacles before you.

I appreciate hearing of your support for the President and his policies. With so many problems facing our nation, your kind words were very encouraging.

I know that James Brady will be grateful for your get-well wishes. While his recovery will necessarily be lengthy, all of us in the Administration look forward to the day when he will return to the White House.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Marion R. Gentz  
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North Edwards, CA 93523

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1981

Dear Mr. Galbraith:

Thank you for your recent letters. It was good of you to take the time to bring your views of issues of vital importance to my attention.

During the recent Ottawa Summit, President Reagan voiced his concern over the possible construction of a natural gas pipeline from the Soviet Union to Western Europe. The President made his objections to this project known to our allies in Europe and is now working with officials at the Department of State to develop alternate means by which our friends in Europe may satisfy their energy needs.

As you may know, the President has decided to go forward with the development of the neutron bomb. He believes that it forms an important element in our overall defense strategy. I know that the President will be as pleased as I was to hear of your support for his decision.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Robert E. Galbraith  
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Lower Lake, CA 95457

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1981

Dear Mr. Font:

Thank you for your recent letter. I enjoyed reading your suggestions on how the President could more effectively communicate with the Hispanic Community.

As you noted in your letter, the Hispanic community is comprised of many individuals who are seeking more and better economic opportunities so that they can build a better life for themselves and their children. The President believes that his program of tax and budget reductions will lead to expanded economic activity and provide all segments of our society with the opportunities they need to make the American Dream a reality. Your proposals on how these programs can best be communicated to the Hispanic population form a valuable contribution to our efforts to revitalize our national economy. You can be sure that they will receive serious attention here at the White House.

Unfortunately, I do not foresee a time when it will be possible to meet with you. Due to the demands of my position, I am unable to meet with as many people as I would like to discuss matters of public interest. However, I am grateful for your desire to assist this Administration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Pedro Font  
President  
Font and Vaamode Associates, Inc.  
183 Madison Avenue  
New York, NY 10016

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1981

Dear Mr. Buchan:

Thank you for your recent message. I appreciate the time you have taken to write to me.

Your patriotic dedication to promoting Fourth of July celebration is indeed admirable. However, I must inform you that under our Constitution, the United States Congress is not authorized to enact a National holiday. When Congress provides for a Federal holiday, it effects only members of the Federal work force. The holidays of all other workers are regulated by state and local governments. Thus, the legal holiday which most workers enjoy on the Fourth of July has been enacted, not by the United States Congress, but by their state legislature or other local governing body.

I am happy to send you a copy of the President's article, "What July Fourth Means to Me." I hope you enjoy having it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. George Buchan  
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Natick, MA 01760



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1981

Dear Mr. Austin:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the relationship between the United States with the Soviet Union.

As you noted in your message, the history of our relations with the U.S.S.R. dates back to the early decades of this century. While historians disagree as to the beginnings and precise nature of our difficulties with the Soviet Union, it is clear that since the end of World War II the Soviets have posed the threat to many small and independent nations around the globe. The activities of the U.S S.R in the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America demonstrate that this threat has not diminished in recent years.

President Reagan earnestly desires to achieve warmer relations and meaningful arms reductions between the United States and the Soviet Union. Yet he is also determined that the freedom and independence of nations throughout the world must be guaranteed against our expansionist and totalitarian rivals. The President and the members of his Administration firmly believe that only through a strong dedication to the principles of liberty can peace be insured.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Louis C. Austin  
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Mojave, CA 93501

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Huebel:

Thank you for your recent letter. I know that President Reagan was as pleased as I was to receive a copy of "Proposal Tournament of Roses Parade 1983." The President appreciated the effort which you have devoted to your project and was grateful for the thoughtfulness which prompted you to send him an autographed copy of it.

With regard to the proposal itself, I can only suggest that you continue in your correspondence with the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association. The current president of that group is Mr. Harold Coombes. The Association is still at 391 South Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91105.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Frank J. Huebel  
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Baltimore, MD 21206

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Keith:

Thank you for your letter. I certainly appreciate hearing your kind words for the President and myself.

Working with President Reagan has been one of the most fulfilling experiences of my career. I have known the President for many years and my admiration for him, both personally and professionally, continues to grow.

Your words of support are encouraging to all of us in the Administration. I hope that you will find our future policies and programs to be worthy of your enthusiasm and I look forward to the day when you too will become active in our Nation's political affairs.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Keith S. Abouchar  
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Summit, NJ 07901

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Beldin:

Thank you for your recent message. I appreciate the time you have taken to write.

When President Reagan began the search for a replacement for the retiring Justice Potter Stewart, he was deeply impressed by the awesome responsibility involved. Knowing that the new member of the Supreme Court would have the opportunity to affect the laws of our nation for years to come, he was determined to pick the best candidate available. I am glad that you share the conviction of this Administration that Mrs. Sandra O'Connor will be a fine addition to the Court.

With regard to your enclosures on health policy, you can be sure that they will be given serious consideration by the appropriate members of this Administration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Ken Beldin  
Treasurer  
USACOP  
Apartado Postal 4  
Tenancingo  
Mexico

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Beers:

Thank you for your recent message. It was good of you to take the time to write.

I appreciate your support of the President and your kind words for my performance. I only hope that as this Administration continues to develop programs and policies we will also continue to deserve your praise.

It was particularly encouraging to have your offer of assistance. There are many difficult issues which we will confront this fall and I know that the support of concerned people such as you will be essential to implementing much needed changes in Federal policies and programs. There is much which each of us can do and it is good to know that we can count on your help in the days ahead.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Louis P. Beers  
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Richmond, Virginia 23235

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Miss Palmer:

Thank you for your recent message. I appreciate the time you have taken to write.

President Reagan deeply values the opportunities which he has to communicate with the American people. The President believes that by speaking to the American people directly he can provide them with the information they need to make the difficult choices which face our nation.

I am grateful for your comments and proposals on ways in which the President can more fully communicate with the Nation. I am sure that he will find your suggestions as interesting as I have.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Miss Frances Palmer  
1161 St. Clair Avenue, #9  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55105

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Palmer:

Thank you for your recent message concerning economic policy. As you may already know, this Administration has placed a high priority on revitalizing our national economy. Through his program of tax cuts, budget reductions, and deregulation, the President believes that we will be able to reduce inflation while providing the necessary incentives to increase productivity and create new jobs in the private sector.

I am sure I speak for the entire Administration when I state how much we appreciate the time you have taken to send us your comments and proposals concerning inflation. You can be sure that they will receive serious consideration from the appropriate officials.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Alfred Palmer  
109 West C Street  
Berkley, WV 25801

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Hirst:

Thank you for your recent letter. I appreciate the time you have taken to bring your views regarding the Department of Education to my attention.

President Reagan continues to stand by his commitment to seek the elimination of the Department of Education as a Cabinet-level agency. However, as the Department was created through an Act of Congress, similar legislation will be required to reduce it from Cabinet rank. This Administration is currently developing legislative proposals to accomplish this result.

With regard to your comments concerning the President's proposal to reduce the defense budget by thirteen billion dollars over the next three years, let me assure you that this proposal was made after the most careful balancing of our national security and economic needs. The President believes that these reductions, though modest, will play a significant role in balancing the Federal budget while also allowing the United States to improve its defense systems.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. R. F. Hirst  
30 New Briar Lane  
Clifton, NJ 07012



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Lisenbee:

Thank you for your recent letter. It was good of you to take the time to write such a thoughtful message concerning many of the social problems which confront our nation.

There is no institution more vital to our Nation's survival than the American family. Here the seeds of personal character are planted and the roots of public virtue first nourished. Its daily lessons of cooperation, tolerance, mutual concern, responsibility, and industry are fundamental to the order and progress of our Republic.

The President and I share your concern for the continued strength and vitality of the American family. You can be sure that your description of many of the problems facing the American family and your critique of several of the legislative proposals for dealing with those problems have been carefully noted and will be given serious consideration by the appropriate Administration officials.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Kenneth Lisenbee  
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New York, NY 10025

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Robertson:

Thank you for your recent message. I appreciate the time you have taken to send me your comments and newspaper clipping. You can be sure that they will be brought to the attention of the appropriate Administration officials.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Randy Robertson  
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Muskogee, OK 74401

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Dr. Powell:

Thank you for your letter informing me of the Rally for Life and bringing to my attention the speech which Mr. McAteer delivered there.

As you may already know, President Reagan believes very strongly in the inherent sanctity of all human life and is convinced of the biological fact of its presence in the human fetus at all stages of its development. Abortion, on the other hand, is not merely the interruption or termination of an unwanted pregnancy, but is virtually always an unjustified, intentional destruction of innocent human life. The President is deeply opposed to abortion and is committed to the protection of the unborn child.

Again, thank you for sending me materials from the Rally for Life.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Dr. William A. Powell, Sr.  
Editor  
The Southern Baptist Journal  
Post Office Box 468  
Buchanan, GA 30113

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 17, 1981

Dear Mr. MacMonagle:

Thank you for taking the time to write and give me the opportunity to know your thoughts concerning bills pending in Congress.

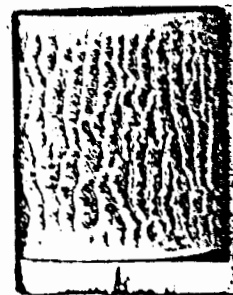
Certainly the health and stability of our Republic depends in part on the ability of voters to obtain information concerning the proposals which are placed before Congress. Your plan for coordinating the filing system for Congressional legislation with that of State libraries is greatly appreciated by this Administration. You can be sure that it will receive serious consideration by the appropriate officials.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. William E. MacMonagle  
3131 Smith Road  
Akron, OH 44313



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 18, 1981

Dear Mr. Plante:

Thank you for your recent message. As you had requested, I sent your previous correspondence to the Department of Justice for further consideration. I regret that they were unable to assist you. At this point, I can only suggest that you continue to pursue your complaint with the appropriate officials at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Douglas M. Plante, Sr.  
Lot E123  
Box 231A, Route 10  
Clifton Park, NY 12065

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 18, 1981

Dear Mr. Hargett:

Thank you for your recent message. I want you to know how much your kind words mean to me.

Throughout its history, the United States has been blessed with many fine leaders. In politics, industry, the arts, and education, America has produced men and women with talents unsurpassed by any other nation or culture.

It has been my privilege over the years to be associated with one of the greatest Americans, Ronald Reagan. I have always had a deep personal and professional admiration for President Reagan. As I continue to serve the President, my admiration for him grows. Were I given the opportunity to become acquainted with any of the great figures of our nation's history, none would give me greater pleasure or pride than that which I have received through my association with the President.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Les Hargett  
5614 Winding Way  
Houston, TX 77091

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 18, 1981

Dear Mr. Turnbull:

It was good to hear from you again. I too miss the days when we were together on the California State Central Committee and was glad to hear that you and your wife are enjoying Hawaii.

You will be glad to know that the Administration has no plans to raise excise taxes on alcoholic beverages at this time. While there may have been some reports to the contrary, these were in response to cursory studies which had been conducted at the Treasury Department and do not represent current Administration policy.

I am happy to enclose a signed photograph of the President. Should the opportunity arise, I will look forward to accepting your invitation to visit you in Hawaii.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Frank W. Turnbull  
Director of Hawaiian Operations  
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1981

Dear Susan:

Thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending along the copy of the story about "The Big Three." It was a nice article.

Please be patient and bear with me, and when the time is available, we'll have our interview.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Miss Susan Page  
Newsday  
Washington Bureau  
1301 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20004



Washington Bureau

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16 September 1981

Michael Deaver  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Deaver:

I thought you might like to see a copy of the story I wrote about "The Big Three." The story, which is enclosed, ran in Sunday's Newsday.

I'm sorry I wasn't able to interview you while I was working on the story. I am now the Newsday reporter assigned to cover the White House, and I'd like to interview you sometime in the next few weeks. I'll give Shirley Moore a call early next week in the hope that we can arrange an appointment.

Sincerely,

*Susan Page*

Susan Page

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1981

Dear Marion:

Thanks for your letter about the Chevy Chase Club.

Carolyn and the kids spent such a little time in town this summer, I hardly think it's worthwhile. I do appreciate your thoughtfulness.

My very best to Francie. Hope to see you soon.

Warm regards,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

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August 10, 1981

Honorable Michael K. Deaver  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mike:

As you will recall, we missed getting you on the list for summer privileges at Chevy Chase Club since you were not on the list of applicants for resident membership on the first day of January (the required rule).

If you are interested in summer privileges for next summer, then we should go ahead now and make application so that you will be on the list in plenty of time. This would mean that you would be on a waiting list for membership in the club, and it takes about three to four years at present for a name to reach the top of this list.

The cost of summer privileges (about two and a half months duration) is \$500, and would be payable next summer when the privileges commence.

Let me know what you would like to do regarding this and we can act accordingly. There is a second category of membership in which you might possibly be interested (Lenore Annenberg and James Baker have joined the club under this provision) known as "resident-guest privileges". Under this provision you would apply for resident membership and your sponsor would recommend to the board that you be given full privileges immediately since you fall in the category of persons qualifying for "special reason" association with the club. In this event, 20% of the initiation fee (currently \$7,500) would be payable annually until the total initiation fee is paid. Then when your name came up for resident membership, you would be admitted and given credit against the initiation fee for all partial payments made. This provision, of course, has the advantage of getting you in the club immediately, but is only recommended if it is your ultimate purpose to become a permanent member.

Let me know what you want to do, and we can follow up accordingly.

Best regards,

Sincerely ours,

*Marion H. Smoak*  
Marion H. Smoak

MHS/h

THE WHITE HOUSE



Mr. Clifford White  
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Washington, D.C. 20006

RETURN TO SENDER  
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*Handwritten:*  
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St. Louis  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1981

Dear Clif:

We're finally back from vacation and in the groove. I received your memo regarding the luncheons we discussed. As soon as the time is available on the schedule, I'll get back to you. Many thanks for following up on that.

Warm regards,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Clifford White  
1629 K Street, N.W.  
Suite 801  
Washington, D.C. 20006

August 13, 1981

*white*  
FROM: Clif *Clif*  
TO: Mike *Just to show you I didn't forget*  
RE: Lunches

Purpose: to give RR strength from people of an essentially general nature. Small numbers for lunch, people broad-based geographically, intellectually and professionally. Individuals who are not awed by the President but can articulate feelings, opinions of a general nature. Lunch once a month.

You and I should discuss a list, but people like Dave Jones, whom you may remember, former executive director of YAF, former AA of Senator Buckley, president of the Charles Edison Foundation; director of development, Vanderbilt University, today. Talks to people all over the country, lives in Nashville. Arthur Reefe, senior vice president, Amex Corporation, in charge of public affairs/public relations, communications; travels constantly, talks to leadership types, was a protégé of Ian MacGregor's. Wilma Roglin, former vice chairman of New York State Republican Committee, personnel director, Pan American, former leader of the Women's Federation; probably considered as a moderate because of Rockefeller, but sensible. David Nichols, Justice, Supreme Court of Maine, former Republican State Chairman, former YR State Chairman, former member of the Governor's Council. These are just a few ideas. I think you and I could discuss a list that would fill us up for a year without any trouble. Incidentally, Travis Cross would be good.

In addition, if we had a specific project, we could put together some specialized types for a small, informal dinner. When you decide to go back to work, call me.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1981

Dear Tony:

I apologize for our last minute cancellation for the Opening of the Met. Carolyn and I were looking forward to last Monday night with great anticipation and were disappointed to be unable to make the trip.

My secretary told me you had graciously offered another opera at a more convenient time for us. My deepest thanks, and we'll be in touch.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Anthony Bliss  
Metropolitan Opera Association  
Lincoln Center  
New York, New York 10025

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1981

Dear Friends:

It was good of you to take the time to send me your views on defense spending. I can assure you that the President and his policy advisers share your concern that America rebuild its defense capacity.

In recent years we have witnessed a massive military buildup on the part of the Soviet Union. Parallel to this buildup, we have also seen the steady destabilization and diminution of the family of free nations around the globe. President Reagan is dedicated to renewing America's defense capabilities and to the protection of liberty. The recent proposals for reductions in defense spending were made by the President only after the most careful balancing of our defense and international needs with those of our domestic economy. Ultimately, America will only be able to provide for its defense needs through a strong and productive economy.

Again, thank you for your letter.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Edgar Penny and Family  
17400 Haynes Street  
Van Nuys, CA 91406



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1981

Dear Mr. Souatskey:

Thank you for your recent letter. It was good of you to take the time to send me your comments on the MX missile system.

Unfortunately, the duties of my office prevent me from meeting with all of those who have valuable contributions to make to the development of Administration policy. However, I would suggest that you send your detailed proposals for the development and deployment of the MX missile to the Department of Defense for review.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEEVER  
Assistant to the President  
Deputy Chief of Staff

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