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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Bill —

A friend of John Mackey
came up with this draft
etc for the Pres to the
Bishops. What do you
think?

S.

The Ad Hoc Committee in Defense of Life, Inc.
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November 5, 1982

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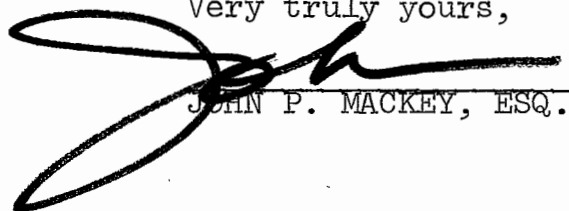
Stephen H. Galebach, Esquire
Office of Policy Development
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Steve,

Enclosed is the draft message I mentioned today over the phone.

We hope to have Wednesday's Saint Louis Post-Dispatch on the Danforth Race by Monday.

Very truly yours,


JOHN P. MACKEY, ESQ.

Enc.

PS Hope Jack Buzges
can make it Wednesday
as well!

November 15, 1982

Archbishop John R. Roach, President
National Conference of Catholic Bishops
1312 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

Your Excellency:

I would like to extend my greetings to you and the other Catholic Bishops who are meeting this week in the nation's capital.

Many great questions of public policy face the country today, and you have my very best wishes in bringing the insights of the Christian tradition to bear on them.

I am convinced that a free people must also be a religious people. As Alexis de Tocqueville noted, "despotism may be able to do without faith, but freedom cannot."

Moral leadership is crucial in conferring the benefits of peace on society, and I particularly wish you well in deliberating about the difficult problem of how government may justly fulfill its moral obligation of safeguarding the nation in the nuclear age.

I also hope you will address the problem that Mother Teresa of Calcutta has called "the greatest destroyer of peace today--abortion." Much as the future of the nation depends on building peace

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I would welcome an opportunity to sign such legislation, and I have pledged my administration to aid in securing its passage in the next Congress.

Since the many religious leaders of our nation have eloquently stood up in defense of life in the past, I hope you will assist me in this effort, so that together we can restore the sanctity of life to its rightful place in the American heritage.

Sincerely,

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

DATE:

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TO: Bill Barr

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FROM: Mike Horowitz

Per our conversation for
Mike's consideration.

I think we can make a deal.