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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 21, 1983

MEETING WITH: MR. DENNIS A JOYNER,
NATIONAL COMMANDER
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

DATE: Thursday, December 22, 1983
LOCATION: Oval Office
TIME: 4:30 p.m. (Administrative Time)

FROM: FAITH RYAN WHITTLESEY

I. PURPOSE:

To meet with Mr. Dennis A. Joyner, National Commander, Disabled American Veterans.

II. BACKGROUND:

Mr. Dennis A. Joyner of Apollo, Pennsylvania, was elected the 1983-1984 National Commander of the Disabled American Veterans at their national convention in August, 1983. The D.A.V. is one of the "big four" veterans' groups with a membership of approximately 800,000 veterans disabled in service to our Nation.

Mr. Joyner served in the U.S. Army, 9th Infantry Division, in Vietnam. While on patrol in June, 1969 in the Mekong Delta, SP-4 Joyner fell victim to a booby trap explosion and, as a result of his wounds, is a triple amputee. For his action, he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and the Purple Heart. Mr. Joyner has long been active in civic and church activities. He is a member of community and professional organizations, and was appointed by Governor Richard L. Thornburgh to serve on Pennsylvania's Vietnam Herbicide Commission.

III. PARTICIPANTS:

Mr. Dennis A. Joyner, National Commander, Disabled
American Veterans
Hon. Harry N. Walters, Administrator, Veterans Administration
COL. F. C. Bidgood, USA, Executive Assistant to Mr. Walters

IV. PRESS PLAN:

White House Photographer, photo opportunity.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

4:30 p.m. - Guest enter Oval Office.

4:31 p.m. - President is introduced to guests.

4:35 p.m. - Guests depart Oval Office.

TALKING POINTS

FOR

DENNIS JOYNER, NATIONAL COMMANDER, DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

-- Commander Joyner, it's a real pleasure to meet someone who leads an organization with over half a million of America's most distinguished citizens - - - veterans disabled in service to our nation.

-- And you personally have shown such courage and leadership that you serve as an example that the heroism of American soldiers doesn't end when they leave the battlefield.

-- Harry, it's also great to see you again, and to have you here while we honor the Disabled American Veterans, and recommit ourselves supporting all who have fought for the freedom we enjoy.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 28, 1983

MEMORANDUM TO: ELLEN JONES, PRESIDENTIAL DIARIST
FROM: Morton C. Blackwell *MB*
SUBJECT: Meeting with the President

Following is a listing of those individuals who met with the President on Thursday, December 22, 1983:

Mr. Dennis A. Joyner,
National Commander
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
R.D. #4, Box 401-B
Apollo, Pennsylvania 15613 (412) 727-2272

The Honorable Harry N. Walters,
Administrator
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
810 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20420 (202) 389-3775

Colonel F. C. Bidgood, USA,
Executive Assistant to the Administrator
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
810 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20420 (202) 389-5351

Morton C. Blackwell,
Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison

The meeting began at 4:45 p.m. and ended at 4:55 p.m.

The National Headquarters Address of the D.A.V. is:

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
807 Maine Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20024 (202) 554-3501

MCB:jet

PLEASE TYPE

FROM: Jean Bell
OFFICE: OPL
Room No. 191 Ext. 2657
TO: LOESJE EDWARDS
X7610 OEOB 94

*All
mailed
2/8/84*

TO: Col. F. C. Bidgood
with appreciation and best
MESSAGE: wishes
PHOTO: Dec 22 19178 21

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Note

On Thursday, check with Nell Yates and make sure arrangements have been set with the guards at the South West Gate so that they are expecting the car that Joyner will be arriving in.

MEETING WITH DENNIS JOYNER
NATIONAL COMMANDER
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
PHOTO OP
Morton BLACKWELL

1. 4:30 - Guests enter Oval
Office
2. 4:31 - ~~1:31~~ introduces:
Dennis JOYNER
National Commander, Disabled
American Veterans

Hon. Harry WALTERS
Administrator, Vets' Admin.

Col. F. C. BIDGOOD, USA
Exec. Asst. to Mr. Walters
3. 4:35 - Guests depart Oval
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4:45 4:55

R.D. 4 , Box 401-B
Apollo, Pa. 15613

(412) 727-2272

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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12/2/83

MEMORANDUM

TO: FAITH WHITTLESEY

FROM: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. *FJR*

SUBJ: APPROVED PRESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY

MEETING: with Dennis A. Joyner, National Commander of the
Disabled American Veterans

DATE: December 22, 1983

TIME: 4:30 pm - during Administrative Time

DURATION: 5 minutes

LOCATION: Oval Office

REMARKS REQUIRED: Background to be given in briefing paper

MEDIA COVERAGE: White House Photographer

FIRST LADY
PARTICIPATION: No

NOTE: PROJECT OFFICER, SEE ATTACHED CHECKLIST

cc:	R. Darman	C. McCain	J. Courtemanche
	R. Deprospero	J. Rosebush	
	K. Duberstein	R. Scouten	
	B. Elliott	B. Shaddix	
	D. Fischer	W. Sittmann	
	C. Fuller	L. Speakes	
	W. Henkel	WHCA Audio/Visual	
	E. Hickey	WHCA Operations	
	G. Hodges	A. Wrobleski	
		Nell Yates	

LRSM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

NOVEMBER 4, 1983

MEMORANDUM

TO: FAITH WHITTLESEY
FROM: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR., DIRECTOR
PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS AND SCHEDULING
SUBJ: REQUEST FOR SCHEDULING RECOMMENDATION

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR RECOMMENDATION ON THE FOLLOWING
SCHEDULING REQUEST UNDER CONSIDERATION:

EVENT: Meeting with Mr. Dennis A. Joyner, 1983-1984
National Commander of the Disabled American
Veterans :

DATE: OPEN

LOCATION: The White House

BACKGROUND: See attached

APPROVED FOR
Date. *12/22/83*
Time. *4:30*
Length. *5 min*
Date *12/20/83* FJR
Admin. Time

YOUR RECOMMENDATION:

Accept *JRK* Regret ___ Surrogate ___ Message ___ Other ___
Priority ___
Routine ___

IF RECOMMENDATION IS TO ACCEPT, PLEASE CITE REASONS:

The President should accept. This is a good group--one of
the "big four" veterans' organizations.

JLC
Jack L. Courtemanche

RESPONSE DUE 11-10-83

TO

Sarah Long *DL*

11/9 Jeff to
Whithers
Gone

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INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE DATE 831028 RECEIVED DATE 831031 (PREFIX)

(PREFIX) HARRY (FIRST) (LAST) WALTERS
THE HONORABLE HARRY WALTERS
TITLE: ADMINISTRATOR

RECEIVED
NOV 3 1983
SCHEDULING OFFICE

ORGANIZATION: VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

STREET:

CITY: WASHINGTON STATE: DC ZIP: 20420

COUNTRY:

SUBJECT: REQUESTS A MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT FOR MR.
DENNIS A. JOYNER, 1983-1984 NATIONAL
COMMANDER OF THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

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STAFF NAME: PRESIDENT REAGAN

MEDIA: L OPID: LW TYPE: IBA

COMMENTS:

CODES: REPORT MI INDIV: USER:

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Fuller recommends regret

#176253

Office of the Administrator
of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420

C. Fuller



October 28, 1983

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

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Respectfully yours,

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HARRY N. WALTERS
Administrator

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