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Senator Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.) Yacht Lone Ranger off Florida Keys (714-645-5000)

January 3, 1975

Patrick E. O'Donnell **RECOMMENDED BY:**

PURPOSE:

TO:

DATE:

Senator Goldwater is very upset over rumors that you will veto S 1296 -- The Grand Canyon National Park Enlargement Act. Last day for action is January 4.

BACKGROUND: The Senator, whose degree of vehemence in this matter is matched by Rep. Rhodes and Senator Fannin, has stated that his political future in Arizona is riding on the bill.

> OMB, Agriculture and CEQ are recommending disapproval. Department of Interior and Transportation feel the bill should be signed.

> Senator Goldwater has answers to each of the objections advanced by those recommending disapproval and would like to deliver these personally before you act one way or the other.

The Senator told me he could live with Nelson Rockefeller and other mistakes he feels we have made but that a veto of this measure would cause a permanent parting of ways from this Administration.

TALKING POINTS:

Barry, Pat O'Donnell tells me that you and the entire Arizona delegation are strongly committed to S. 1296 and I thought it wise to get your personal feelings right from the horse's mouth.



TALKING POINTS (Continued)

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I have several recommendations to veto the measure but in light of what you have told me, I'll take another look at it.

Date of submission: January 2, 1975

ACTION:

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