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KAT

Tom Lias called for RBC. (245-1553)

Said that Secretary Mathews would like to talk to the President regarding the \$90 million recission that has been proposed on education for the handicapped.

The Secretary feels that the time is not appropriate, that Congress will not go along with it, that even though Congress does not go along with it the money will still be available after school starts and it will be a waste when they can be using the money now, and that it will not be beneficial to the President politically.

The Secretary would like to talk to the President about this today or tomorrow. Mr. Lias feels sure that it could be done by phone. . . . or if the President would like for the Secretary to come in, the Secretary would be happy to do that also.

The big problem is timing. . . the Secretary would like to talk to the President today or tomorrow.

NOTE: Tom Lias would like to be called on this to be informed of what is going to happen. . . said he has all the materials on his desk and will have to get them back to Secretary Mathews prior to the Secretary's communicating with the President.

7 / 6 / 76

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Secretary David Mathews

DATE: Today, July 6, 1976

RECOMMENDED BY: Dick Cheney

BACKGROUND: Secretary Mathews would like to talk to you regarding the \$90 million rescission that has been proposed on education for the handicapped.

The Secretary feels that the biggest issue is that of timing. If this rescission is overturned by the Congress, which HEW believes will happen, the money will still be made available, and it will come after school has started and, therefore, it will be wastefully spent.

Mathews believes plans for spending need to be made before school begins again in September. If not, he thinks politically this would not be helpful.

ACTION:

Call made 7/7/76 Jim Lynn
has the action.

July 6, 1976

