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COMMITTEE FOR THE RE-ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

MEMORANDUM

August 15, 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

MR. H. R. HALDEMAN' ROBERT M. TEETER

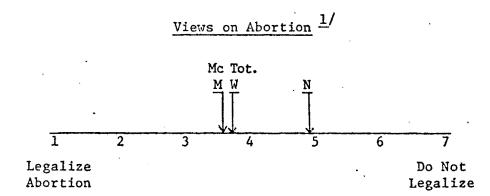
Abortion Memo

SUBJECT:

FROM:

This is in response to your further inquiry concerning our memorandum on abortion.

As the following table shows, men have slightly more liberal attitudes about abortion than do women, and men's attitudes are closer to the McGovern position than women. Although this is true, it is our judgment that abortion is a more important issue to women than men.



In answer to your further question the following tables show the increases in Catholic vote from the first wave. The change in the Catholic vote corresponds closely to the total change which has occurred in most states since the first wave except in Indiana and Ohio:

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Tot = Total Voters M = Male Voters W = Female Voters N = Total Rating Nixon Mc = Total Rating McGovern Determined to be an Administrative Marking

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	Total			Catholic		
State	<u>Wave 1²/</u>	Wave II3/	Change	Wave $1^{2/2}$	Wave II ^{3/}	Change
California	42%	48%	+ 6%	36%	42%	+ 6%
Indiana .	47	54	+ 7	31	51	+20
Maryland	47	52	+ 5	. 49 -	56	+ 7
Missouri	39	44	+ 5	37	43	+ 6
New Jersey	49	49	+ 0	52	50	- 2
New York	46	49	+ 3	54	53	- 1
Ohio	49	56	+ 7	37	51	+14
Oregon	45	42	- 3	27	23	- 4
Pennsylvani	.a 43	49	+ 6	32	42	+10
Texas	44	54	+10	39	41	+ 2
Wisconsin	41	44	+ 3	29	33	+ 4

PERCENTAGE COMMITTED NIXON VOTE

2/ Nixon/Muskie/Undecided Ballot

3/ Nixon/McGovern/Undecided Ballot

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