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August 12, 1974

Mr. Robert Hartman  
White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bob:

Concerning the Vice-Presidential nomination, I would like to offer a suggestion. If President Ford decides to nominate a Vice-President from persons outside the Congressional wing of the Republican Party, I would like to suggest that he nominate Governor Daniel J. Evans (Washington). There are many reasons for offering this suggestion. Governor Evans is:

- the senior Republican Governor;
- the immediate past Chairman of the National Governors' Conference and presently a member of that organization's executive committee;
- a highly successful Republican candidate in the overwhelmingly Democratic State of Washington which has a very substantial labor union population (N.B. three times elected Governor, including 1964);
- a former keynote speaker at the Republican National Convention in 1968;
- an Eagle Scout who, like President Ford, would have no difficulty passing the thorough investigation which the Congress will certainly give the nominee; and
- a person who would provide geographic balance.

As a college professor, I can also add that Governor Evans would help President Ford in building bridges to the academic community, the younger generation as well as to other groups. Moreover, Governor Evans would be very attractive in the South, especially among the South's emerging leaders.

Bob, I have written this letter because of your interest in the Republican Party and also by virtue of your close association with President Ford. After thinking about this suggestion, I hope you will be able to pass it along to the President.

Mr. Robert Hartman  
August 12, 1974  
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You may be interested in knowing that my first book, The Future of the American Presidency, will be published in January. I am very much enjoying my teaching experience in the heart of the South.

Sincerely,

*Chuck*

Charles W. Dunn  
Department Head

CWD/mgm

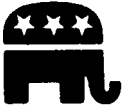
*P.S. President Ford is doing a great job on television. I'll never forget those days with Dennis Lane at CBS studios.*

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Mr. Robert Hartman  
White House  
Washington, D. C.



MONROE COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

Holiday Inn Downtown 120 East Main Street

ROCHESTER, N. Y. 14604

RONALD J. STARKWEATHER  
Executive Secretary

August 9, 1974

Mr. Robert Hartman  
Assistant to the President  
Executive Office Building  
Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Bob:

I would appreciate it if you would convey  
the contents of the enclosed letter to the  
President

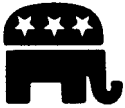
Best wishes to you during these tough days.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Starkweather  
Executive Secretary

RJS:ss

Enc.



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RONALD J. STARKWEATHER  
Executive Secretary

August 9, 1974

The Honorable Gerald Ford  
President  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. President:

I offer my best wishes to you and I know the entire nation will be praying for you as you assume the awesome burden of the Presidency of our great nation.

One of your first and most important decisions will be that of choosing a Vice-President. May I take this opportunity to suggest your serious consideration of Congressman Barber Conable of our 35th District. As you know, Barber has distinguished himself as one of the most respected men on Capitol Hill. He is far from a formula politician, but rather one who is diligently seeking legislative solutions to some very serious problems. It's unusual to have in one person the ability to intellectually understand a complex problem then have the ability to educate people with a very articulate approach.

Barber Conable, is the second man in Upstate New York's history to have served on Ways and Means. His service on the prestigious Joint Economic Committee gives him the credential necessary so the American people will listen to him concerning the ways we can fight our number one problem -- inflation.

We are politicians and let us not forget the very practical political considerations. Barber represents one of the largest states. His loyalty to our Party and efforts to reform the process has again distinguished him. Conable is clean. Since entering



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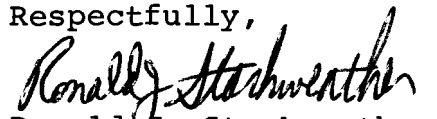
RONALD J. STARKWEATHER  
Executive Secretary

Congress, he has been a leader in reporting his personal finances. Conable, unlike so many, is not seeking something higher. Conable does not need to be Vice President. Herein lies another asset. He has no bodies to walk over.

Needless to say, I could go on and on, but I want to express to you and your staff my deep feelings on this subject.

My prayers and complete support are yours. May God give you the strength and wisdom to undertake this almost impossible task.

Respectfully,

  
Ronald J. Starkweather  
Executive Secretary

RJS:ss

Mr. Robert Hartman  
Assistant to the President  
Executive Office Building  
Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.



Don W. Cook

MONROE COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

Union Trust Building

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14614



*The John Kennedy Office*  
*Real Estate Broker*  
P O Box 154  
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y. 10306

Aug 11 1974

Hon Robert T Hartmann  
Counselor to the President  
The White House  
Washington D C

Dear Mr Hartmann:

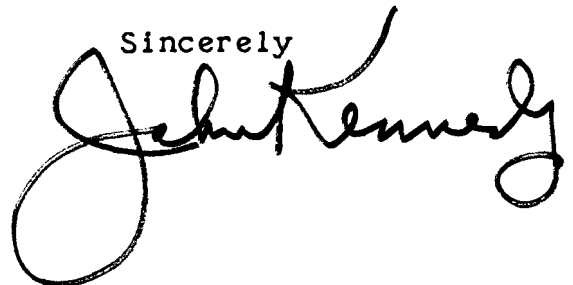
President Ford has asked for suggestions to fill the vacancy in the position of the Vice Presidency.

Will you kindly convey to the President the following named person for consideration for naomination to be Vice President.

The name I respectfully submit is: Federal District Judge Herbert J Stern. Judge Stern is 37 years old. He used his prodigious memory and zeal for work to enforce high morality in positions of public trust. As U S Attorney in New Jersey he waged a war on corruption that has made him a nationally known individual. Judge Stern is probably a person no one has thought of.

Thanking you for your kindness and courtesy

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John F. Kennedy". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely".

John Kennedy  
Box 154  
New Dorp N Y 10306



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Hon Robert T Hartmann  
Counselor to the President  
The White House  
Washington D C

BOSTON AND NORTH CHUNGVAHOCHIE RAILROAD  
Unknown American, c. 1860  
Gift of Edgar William and Bernice Chrysler Garbisch  
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John Gone  
27 Pierreont St  
Brooklyn, N.Y.  
11201

Dear Mr President.

The Best of Luck .

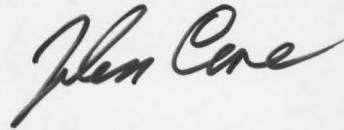
As a citizen I suggest Bess MYerson of  
New York City as Vice President

A surprise Choice- No one knows but me (Now ) that  
I have written this. Please don't tell anyone  
without my say so.

I hope you take this most seriously.

Sincerely,

John Gone



Who ever open this

I suggest you take  
this seriously and see that it gets attention.  
I send the cards to Mr Ford and his family  
with good intentions

P.S Mr Answey service  
phone is  
212-LT1-6470



Zur Erinnerung  
an die Enthüllung des Kaiser Wilhelm-Denkmal  
zu Hamburg, 20. Juni 1903.



Sonntabend, 20. Juni 1903  
vermittags 11 Uhr  
**Ankunft S. M. des Kaisers  
Wilhelm II.**

auf dem neuen Dammlerbahnhof,  
fährt über das Alstergleis, die  
Jungfernstieg und den Reesendamm  
nach dem Rathausmarkt.

12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Uhr vermittags  
**Enthüllung des  
Kaiser Wilhelm-Denkmal.**

Nach Beendigung der Feier be-  
gibt sich S. Maj. durch die  
Hermann- und Bergerstraße, den  
Jungfernstieg, Süßmarkt,  
Dammstrasse, Stephansplatz,  
Ringstrasse, Holtenauerwall, Holtenauer  
Allee nach den St. Pauli-  
Landungsbrücken auf die kais.  
Yacht „Hohenzollern“.



Kaiser Wilhelm-Denkmal.

Grüß aus Hamburg



Nachmittags  
fährt durch die Häfen.  
7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Uhr abends  
**Festwahl im Rathause.**

10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Uhr Rückfahrt nach der  
„Hohenzollern“  
durch folgende  
Strassen:  
Dr. Johann-  
strasse.



Borsen-  
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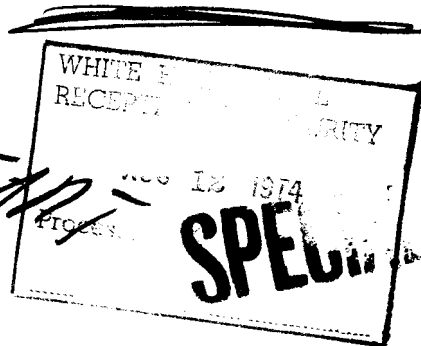


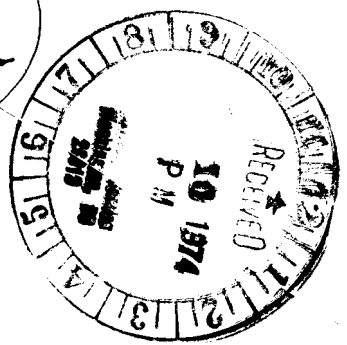
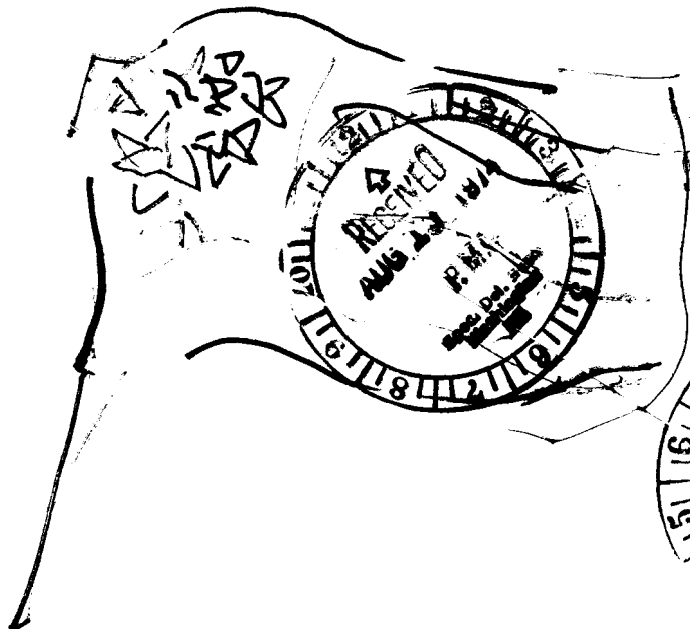
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John Bone  
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President Gerald Ford  
The White House  
Washington D. C.

or Attention Mr. [unclear]







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PMS ROBERT T HARTMANN, CHIEF OF STAFF TO VICE PRESIDENT FORD  
OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON DC

WE STRONGLY URGE YOUR CONSIDERATION OF GEORGE BUSH FOR THE VICE  
PRESIDENCY

MR AND MRS JOE STRAUS SR- 700 GRANDVIEW PL SAN ANTONIO TX

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PMS BOB HARTMANN

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON DC

IN THE EVENT OF A PRESIDENTIAL RESIGNATION I SINCERELY HOPE  
AND URGE THAT GEORGE BUSH WILL BE MR FORDS VICE PRESIDENTIAL  
CHOICE

WALTER SCOTT LIGHT TEXAS DELEGATE TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION  
300 ARGYLE SAN ANTONIO TX 78209

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PMS ROBERT HARTMANN, CHIEF OF STAFF TO VICE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON DC

AS A LOYAL AND CONCERNED REPUBLICAN I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO CONSIDER  
GEORGE BUSH AS VICE PRESIDENT.

ANNIE MAE HOLLAND

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PMS ROBERT T HARTMANN CHIEF OF STAFF TO VICE PRESIDENT GERALD  
FORD, DLR

WASHINGTON DC

I WANT TO URGE THE NOMINATION OF GEORGE BUSH FOR VICE PRESIDENT  
JANELLE H MCARTHUR

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PMS MR ROBERT T HARTMANN, DLR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING

WASHINGTON DC

I READ THAT MR RICHARDSON IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE APPOINTMENT  
PLEASE CONVEY THE HOPE THAT THIS IS TRUE HE IS AN EXCELLENT  
CHOICE

WILLIAM DORR

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ROBERT HARTMAN COUNSELOR TO THE PRESIDENT  
WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON DC 20500

THIS IS COPY OF MESSAGE SENT THIS DATE TO PRESIDENT GERALD FORD  
WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC  
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR BECOMING PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
WOULD RECOMMEND STRONG CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS AS  
CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES:  
GEORGE BUSH SENATOR EDWARD W BROOKE AND GOVERNOR DANIEL EVANS AND  
NELSON ROCKEFELLER  
ABRAHAM S VENABLE 17530 FAIRWAY DR DETROIT MI 48221

17:06 EDT

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HONORABLE ROBERT T HARTMANN  
WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON DC 20500

THAT IN CONSIDERING YOUR CHOICE FOR VICE PRESIDENT I AM URGING  
THAT YOU GIVE THE UTMOST CONSIDERATION TO CHAIRMAN GEORGE BUSH,  
NELSON ROCKEFELLER, SENATOR EDWARD BROOK AND GOVERNOR DANIEL EVANS.  
I BELIEVE EACH OF THESE GENTLEMEN HAS DEMONSTRATED THE SENSITIVITY  
AND SKILLS TO WORK WITH MINORITY COMMUNITIES EACH WOULD DO WELL  
IN COMPLEMENTING YOUR ADMINISTRATION AND UNITED THE UNITED STATES  
BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL ADMINISTRATION

ORVILLE E PITTS ALDERMAN FIRST DISTRICT 200 EAST WELLS ST MILWAUKEE  
WI 53202

20:03 EDT

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PMS BOB HARTMAN

CARE VICE PRESIDENT OFFICE

WASHINGTON DC

NO NO NO ROCKEFELLER RHODES RAEGAN BUSH RICHARDSON ACCEPTABLE

RUTH MARTIN

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MURPHY A. SEWALL  
322 WELLINGTON ROAD  
DELMAR, NEW YORK 12054

*new V.P.  
also volunteering  
services.*

12 August 74

Mr. Robert T. Hartmann  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hartmann:

Among the names most mentioned by the press as potential vice presidents, one is conspicuous by its absence. I have gotten to recognize a substantial number of members of Congress in the past two or three weeks, and I have been most impressed by Congressman John Anderson of Illinois. I believe that Mr. Anderson has those qualities of thoughtful judgment and obvious competence that are suited to these troubled times.

Of the names most frequently discussed, only one troubles me to any extent. Former Congressman and Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird has left me with the impression that he is a slashing political partisan. Under normal circumstances, a partisan inclination would be of minor relevance. However, given the special political environment of the present, I believe Mr. Laird could better serve the nation in some other capacity.

I have often considered "writing my Congressman," but I have never before actually written any public official with my political opinion. I suppose it is the unusual nature of these troubled times that causes me to do so now.

I am a 32 year old university professor. My Ph.D. is in Business Administration. Politically, I am a ballot splitting independent voter. If I can be at all useful to you or the President in any substantive way, I would be happy to volunteer my services.

I understand that you assisted the President in drafting his inaugural address. I am impressed.

Sincerely yours,

*Murphy A. Sewall*  
Murphy A. Sewall



Mr. Robert T. Hartmann  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

MURPHY A. SEWALL  
322 WELLINGTON ROAD  
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New VP.

JOHN LEOPOLD  
TWELFTH DISTRICT



STATE OF HAWAII  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HAWAII STATE CAPITOL  
HONOLULU 96813  
August 11, 1974

Mr. Robert T. Hartmann  
Counselor to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Hartmann:

First, my congratulations upon your appointment to the post of presidential counselor. I read that you and Mrs. Hartmann were precluded from accompanying Vice President Ford on his recent trip to Hawaii. I enjoyed my chat with the Vice President at Mrs. Luce's reception and recalled to him our first meeting in 1965 when I worked in the office of Senator Hugh Scott. I hope to have the opportunity of meeting you and Mrs. Hartmann when you have a subsequent occasion to visit the Islands.

Having noted that President Ford wants Vice Presidential nominations on his desk by Wednesday, I am respectfully submitting for his consideration three choices in order of priority:

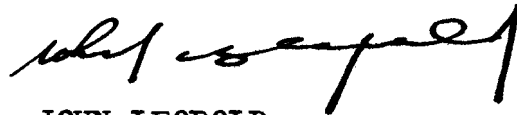
1. U.S. Senator Richard S. Schweiker of Pennsylvania: popular, hard-working Representative and Senator with a reputation for integrity and ability; a moderate with a good rapport with individuals from both sides of the aisle; Senator from a populous, Northeastern swing-state; at the age of 48, a dynamic, articulate running-mate with an aggressive and progressive image attractive to the broad spectrum of young and old, Republican, Democrat and Independent voters; capable of a vigorous effort to help the GOP broaden its base and achieve dominant status in the Nation.
2. Mayor Richard G. Lugar of Indianapolis: young, popular moderate; proven administrative ability and imaginative handling of urban problems; image of integrity; great appeal to independent voters.
3. Former Pennsylvania Governor William W. Scranton: an experienced former chief executive of a large industrial state; renowned

ability; well-respected foreign policy credentials.

Again, please let me stress that I believe that this country needs a straight-forward, unaffected Vice President. It is my sincere desire that my recommendations will be brought to the attention of the President.

Kind regards and best wishes to yourself.

Sincerely,

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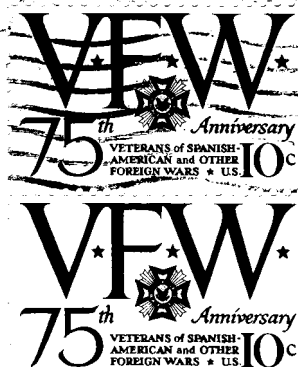
JOHN LEOPOLD  
State Representative  
- HAWAII -

JOHN LEOPOLD  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
HAWAII STATE CAPITOL  
HONOLULU 96813

AIR MAIL



Mr. Robert T. Hartmann  
Counselor to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500



V. P. Room,

**EARLE B. MAYFIELD, JR.**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
1930 REPUBLIC BANK BUILDING  
TELEPHONE 741-3977  
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201

August 12, 1974

Hon. Robert T. Hartman  
Administrative Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

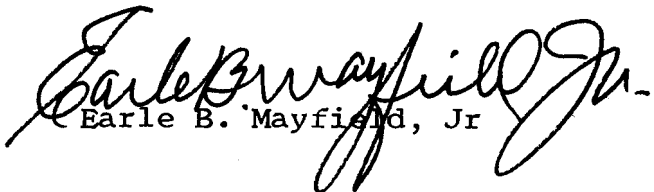
It is with a great deal of pleasure that I recommend to the President the name of George Bush to be appointed Vice President of the United States.

As Chairman of the Republican National Committee he is on a first name basis with the entire national Republican organization. He is young and has a fine image with the public and a better than average recognition factor.

He comes from a section of the country that is conservative in its political philosophy, and he no doubt could have a great deal to do with the bringing into the folds of the Republican Party the so-called "Wallace vote", (which I am sure will be welcome and which is needed).

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

  
Earle B. Mayfield, Jr

EBM Jr:wh



151 Farmington Avenue  
Hartford, Connecticut 06115  
(203) 273-6136

*W. P. recommendation*

Thomas L. Bateman  
National Director, TSA Sales

August 13, 1974

Mr. Robert T. Hartmann  
Counselor to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hartmann:

I am sending you a letter for the President of the United States. The reason I am sending the letter to you is that I know you love your boss and you know him. I also love my boss and I know him.

No doubt you have performed many great services for your boss over the years and there will be many more in the future, but if you will hand him the enclosed letter which will take less than a moment to read since it's just one page and if he is persuaded into investigating my boss you will never perform a greater service for the President and your country.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Thomas L. Bateman  
National Director  
TSA Sales

lsb  
Enclosure



151 Farmington Avenue  
Hartford, Connecticut 06115  
(203) 273-6136

Thomas L. Bateman  
National Director, TSA Sales

August 13, 1974

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

You said last night that you would have an "open door policy" at the White House. While this was addressed to members of Congress, I seize the opportunity to make a suggestion.

There is a person who possesses all of the attributes which have been publicly described as necessary to be the next Vice President of the United States. Your investigation of him will disclose this statement as a fact, therefore, I will not try to describe those attributes in this letter.

This is a unique moment in history and hopefully you will use this opportunity to solve a problem in a very unique way. Last night you said the people had lost some confidence, particularly in their government, not as much in business and labor, and no doubt you are right.

Why not then turn to one of these areas for your Vice President and it is with this hope that I offer the name of John H. Filer, Chairman of the Board of Aetna Life and Casualty.

Please, I beg of you, do not make a decision until you have interviewed and investigated Mr. Filer.

Most respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas L. Bateman".

Thomas L. Bateman  
National Director  
TSA Sales

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The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.



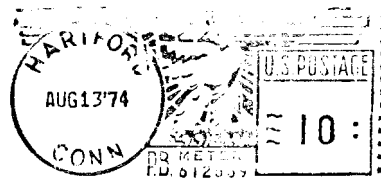
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Mr. Robert T. Hartmann  
Counselor to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

*V.P. recommendation*

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, D.C.

August 9, 1974

5:00 p.m.

Call from Mr. John Watkins, 133 Claybrook Dr.,  
Silver Spring, Md. 20902.

"I would like for the President to pick  
either Senator Charles Percy of Illinois  
or Elliot Richardson of Massachusetts for  
the new Vice President.

"I feel that the President should get a liberal  
Republican since he is a conservative Repub-  
lican."

Neta

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

August 12  
2:45 p.m.

Don W. Kearney, Woodside, Long Island

Let the record speak. Here is a man who went into every nook and corner; in every town and village; a family man; the man who got more votes in the primary than any other candidate in both parties. Let any other man match his record.

I'm speaking of GEORGE C. WALLACE.

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