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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 7, 1975

MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE REPUBLICAN STUDY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 8, 1975

4:30 p.m. (45 minutes)

The Cabinet Room

Thru: Max Friedersdorf *M.F.*  
From: Vern Loen *VL*

I. PURPOSE

To exchange information and views with the President on issues of major concern to the Members of the House Republican Study Committee

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

1. This group of Republican House conservatives last met with the President on April 30, 1975.
2. They hope to maintain a continuing dialogue with the President and would like to hold these sessions about every six months.
3. There are a few Reagan supporters in the group, but they are overwhelmingly friendly to the President. Many are critical of the Vice President and Secretary Kissinger.

B. Participants: The President  
House Republican Study Committee (see attached)  
White House staff members (see attached)

C. Press Plan: Announce to press  
White House photographer only



PARTICIPANTS

The President

Executive Committee of the House Republican Study Committee      SUBJECT

Rep. Marjorie S. Holt (Md.)	- (Chairwoman)	
Rep. Barry M. Goldwater, Jr. (Ca.)	- (Vice Chairman)	
Rep. Tom Hagedorn (Minn.)	- (Vice Chairman)	✓ Grain Exports
Rep. Steven D. Symms (Idaho)	- (Vice Chairman)	
Rep. John H. Roussetot (Ca.)	- (Treasurer)	✓ Housing
Rep. William L. Armstrong (Colo.)		✓ Energy
Rep. Robert E. Bauman (Md.)		
Rep. Robin L. Beard (Tenn.)		
Rep. Clair W. Burgener (Ca.)		✓ Food Stamps
Rep. Del Clawson (Ca.)		✓ Common Situs
Rep. Samuel L. Devine (Ohio)		
Rep. William L. Dickinson (Ala.)		✓ Post Card Registration
Rep. William F. Goodling (Pa.)		
Rep. Charles E. Grassley (Iowa)		
Rep. Jack F. Kemp (N.Y.)		Job Creation
Rep. Trent Lott (Miss.)		
Rep. Floyd Spence (S.C.)		Consumer Protection
Rep. David C. Treen (La.)		

White House Staff members

John O. Marsh  
Robert T. Hartmann  
James Lynn  
Alan Greenspan  
Max L. Friedersdorf  
James Cannon  
Bill Seidman  
Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft  
Vern Loen  
Charles Leppert, Jr.  
Tom Loeffler

Cabinet Members

Secretary Butz  
Secretary Hills



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INFORMATION

WASHINGTON

October 8, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JIM CANNON *JCC*

SUBJECT: Food Stamps

We now plan to send a Presidential message and legislation to the Hill when Congress returns on Monday, October 20. We are drafting legislation and preparing an analysis based on these summary points:

1. Will reduce costs by about \$1 billion.
2. Limits eligibility to those whose net income--gross income less the standard deduction and withholding taxes--is below the poverty level of ~~\$5030~~ for a family of four. *\$5050*
3. A standard deduction of \$100 a month to replace the current variable deductions.
4. A uniform purchase requirement of 30% of net income.
5. Measurement of income over the preceding 30 days for purposes of eligibility determinations.
6. Elimination of categorical eligibility for recipients of public assistance.

