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12-16-74

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN. *[Handwritten initials]*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 12, 1974

*GR 4
Talked with him
I wanted him to
transfer to White
House next week*

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Honorable Chet Holifield, Chairman of House Government Operations Committee

WHEN: Approximately 6:15 p.m., Thursday, December 12 (assuming no roll call votes at that time)
Phone: 225-5051

PURPOSE: To wish him well upon his retirement from Congress after 32 years.

VIA: Counsellor Jack Marsh *[Handwritten initials]*
Max L. Friedersdorf *[Handwritten initials]*
Vern Loen *VL*

BACKGROUND:

- The President was invited to a farewell party for Chairman Holifield in the House Government Operations room tonight, but was unable to accept.
- The phone call will be a surprise to Mr. Holifield. The call was recommended by Rep. Frank Horton.

TALKING POINTS:

- Chet, although I couldn't make it to your party tonight, I did want to join in this salute.
- During the twenty-five years when we served in the House together, I can think of few Members across the aisle for whom I developed such admiration.
- You will be sorely missed not only for your expertise in government re-organization but also as the foremost lay expert in the field of peacetime application for the use of atomic energy.
- I wish for you and Cam the best of everything in the most rewarding retirement.

APPROVE ✓

DISAPPROVE _____

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 16, 1974

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
FROM: JERRY H. JONES
SUBJECT: Recommended Telephone Call
to Honorable Chet Holifield

Your recommended telephone call to Chet Holifield has been approved and the following notation was made:

-- Talked with him. I invited him
and wife to White House next week.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld
Max Friedersdorf
Vern Loen