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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 19, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BILL BAROODY

FROM:

JERRY H.

Your recommended telephone call to former Senators Cotton and Aiken has been reviewed and the call was made.

cc: Don Rumsfeld



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO:

Former Senators Cotton and Aiken during the Eighth Annual Meeting of the Northeast Business Group/Small Business Service

Bureau.

DATE:

Sunday evening, May 18, 1975.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Bill Baroody, Jr.

Concurrence: Jack Calkins, Gwen Anderson

PURPOSE:

To congratulate the Senators on receiving this organization's Outstanding Public Service Award.

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BACKGROUND:

The Northeast Business Group of Vermont and New Hampshire and its Massachusetts affiliate, the Small Business Service Bureau, have a combined membership of just under 20,000 independent businessmen. Each year, they honor an individual or individuals for dedicated efforts on behalf of the small business community.

Approximately 1200 small businessmen and a number of public officials from the New England area will attend this banquet. David Brinkley of NBC will act as master of ceremonies.

The people making the arrangements for this event have suggested that the President's call be placed between 8:00 and 9:30 P.M. The telephone will be hooked up with a public address system so the audience will be able to hear the President's remarks.

We are unaware of any letter in preparation by the Correspondence Section for this purpose.

The telephone number is: 603/622-3766.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Congratulations to Senator Aiken and Senator Cotton as they receive the Outstanding Public Service Award, and thanks for their many years of devotion to the Nation in Congress. They are missed in government these days.
- 2. Compliments to the Northeast Business Group/Small Business Service Bureau. The independent businessman in our country has always been a symbol of initiative, hard work, and quality of effort. Yankee individualism has stood us in good stead historically, contributing significantly to our development as a strong and prosperous Nation.
- 3. The President could note how much he enjoyed his recent trip to New England. He could say that he is looking forward to a return trip, and perhaps express the hope that he will have the pleasure of meeting some of the members of this organization in person.

Date of Submission:

May 12, 1975

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INCOMPLETE LIST of HEAD TABLE GUESTS

New Hampshire

Others to be announced

Congressman Norman E. D'Amours (D) Manchester, New Hampshire	President of the Senate Alf E. Jacobson (R) New London, New Hampshire
Congressman James C. Cleveland (R) New London, New Hampshire	Speaker of the House
	George B. Roberts, Jr. (R)
Senator Thomas J. McIntyre (D) Laconia, New Hampshire	Gilmanton Iron Works, New Hampshire
•	Majority Leader of the House
Governor Meldrim Thomson (R)	Marshall French (R)
Orford, New Hampshire	Meredith, New Hampshire
Secretary of State Robert L. Stark (R)	Minority Leader of the House
Goffstown, New Hampshire	Chris Spirou (D)
	Manchester, New Hampshire
Deputy Secretary of State	
Edward C. Kelley (R)	Majority Leader of the Senate
Concord, New Hampshire	Ward B. Brown (R)
	East Hampstead, New Hampshire
Insurance Commissioner	•
Francis E. Whaland	Minority Leader of the Senate
Concord, New Hampshire	Delbert F. Downing (D)
·	Salem, New Hampshire
State Treasurer Robert Flanders (R)	
Concord, New Hampshire	House Chairman Banks and Insurance Shirley M. Clark
Attorney General Warren Rudman (R)	Newmarket, New Hampshire
Nashua, New Hampshire	
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Senator Norris Cotton	Andrew Poulsen
Lebanon, New Hampshire	Littleton, New Hampshire
Former Senator and Republican State Committee Chairman	,
	The President of Dartmouth College
William Loeb	John Kememy
Manchester Union Leader	Hanover, New Hampshire
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Vice Chairman House Banks and Insurance

Harold W. Burns

Whitefield, New Hampshire

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Vermont

Senator Patrick J. Leahy (D) Washington, D.C.

Senator Robert T. Stafford (R) Washington, D.C.

Congressman James M. Jeffords (R) Washington, D.C.

Banking and Insurance Commissioner James M. Guest (D) Waterbury Center, Vermont

Governor Thomas P. Salmon (D) Elms Falls, Vermont

Lt. Governor Brian D. Burns (D)
Burlington, Vermont

State Treasurer Stella B. Hackel (D) Rutland, Vermont

Secretary of State Richard C. Thomas (R) Montpelier, Vermont

Auditor of Accounts Alexander V. Acebo (R) Barre, Vermont

Attorney General M. Jerome Diamond (D) Putney, Vermont

Former Senator George Aiken Putney, Vermont

Others to be announced

President Pro Tempore of the Senate Robert A. Bloomer (R) Rutland, Vermont

Speaker of the House Timothy J. O'Connor, Jr. (D) Brattleboro, Vermont

House Majority Leader Richard A. Snelling (R) Shelburne, Vermont

Majority Whip James H. Douglas (R) Middlebury, Vermont

House Minority Leader (D) Thomas H. Candon Rutland, Vermont

Minority Whip Madeline M. Kunin (D) Burlington, Vermont

Senate Minority Leader

John J. O'Brien (D)

South Burlington, Vermont

Minority Whip Robert J. Branon (D) Fairfield, Vermont