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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

16 Sept

RAA spoke w/

Bud McF. re attached -
will check and call
back -



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 8, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE

FROM: JACK MARSH

Please follow up on the Sheldon matter in which Jack Flynt is interested, and then get a report back to Jack Flynt's Office.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Mr. Marsh --

Reminder:

"I want to get word to Flynt that General Scowcroft advises that they have tried to get in touch with Sheldon to confer with him in reference to a post at the Department of State. However, he is presently visiting on the West Coast and they have been unable to set the meeting up. But they expect to do so very shortly. We will keep the Congressman advised of the developments on this matter."

Thanks.

donna

9/3 Mary Lou



(213) 275-6658 (Ber. Hills)
1121 Tower Rd.
Ber. Hills, Cal.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 27, 1975



MR. MARSH:

Mary Lou in Cong. Flynt's Office called re the Sheldon matter. This was one of the things you wanted to be reminded of upon your return.

(While you were away, I had called her with your message that Gen. Scowcroft and you had discussed this matter and that "something would be worked out for Sheldon". - it would not be an Ambassador post, but something else.)

Mary Lou had said that Sheldon had heard nothing from Scowcroft at all. In checking on this last week (wk. of 18th) Scowcroft's office said that there was an "action memo" out at Vail with Scowcroft, re Sheldon.

Connie

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*Follow up
today. Advise me
orally of result.*

8/29 10:30
Laura

8/29 4:30
Mary

M

D/S M ASAP

August 7

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Mr. Marsh --

Congressman Flynt's Office called for
an up-date on the Shelton matter.

Thanks.

donna

P. S. The Congressman can be
reached at his home in Georgia:
(404) 227-2382.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Advise

status

Shelton



JUL 17 1975

JOHN JAMES FLYNT, JR.

1 July 1975

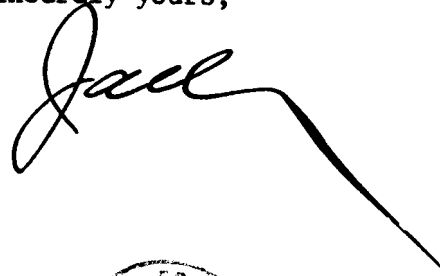
Dear Jack:

Patty joins me in thanking you for your expression of concern following our recent accident and hospitalization. We are both well on the way to a complete recovery assisted by the thoughtfulness of people like you.

Your telephone call was greatly appreciated and helped to cheer us up while waiting to get back to our regular routine. We both would have loved to have talked personally with everyone who called or came by to see us, but Doctors' orders prevented that. I look forward to seeing you and thanking you in person as soon as possible.

With warm regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jack". The signature is written in black ink and extends to the right with a long, sweeping tail.

Hon. John O. Marsh
Washington, D.C.



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 1, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: DON RUMSFELD

Senator Ed Brooke called me on August 1, very concerned about Ambassador W. Beverly Carter. He wanted to make sure the White House looked into the matter. I am not knowledgeable about it. Would you please get something moving on that so that the President is aware of the matter or that Henry is or the NSC or however it ought to be handled.

Thanks.

P.S. Then, when you have some answers you ought to be able to get back to Ed.



September 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE
FROM: JACK MARSH
SUBJECT: Ambassador Turner Sheldon

Please prepare a memo for my signature on the outcome of the meeting on Thursday with Turner Sheldon to Break Scowcroft and ask them to get moving on this.

JOM/dl



*R - Follow
Let's discuss this M*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 13, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE
FROM: JACK MARSHALL *Jack*
SUBJECT: Ambassador Turner Sheldon

Please prepare a memo for my signature on the outcome of the meeting on Thursday with Turner Sheldon to Brent Scowcroft and ask them to get moving on this.

September 15, 1975

Jack:

Prior to seeing the above, I saw Brent Scowcroft at this morning's senior staff meeting. I took that occasion to discuss with him the details of Turner Sheldon's meeting with us on Thursday. Brent advises me that a "persomel" meeting for Sheldon is set up for today over at the State Department. He indicated that they were extremely reluctant (if not totally opposed) to offering Sheldon another Ambassadorial post. They are extremely fearful that, if such an offer were made, the confirmation hearings that would ensue would dredge up all of the allegations that have been made against Sheldon and a real media circus would follow. They plan to find some sort of face-saving appointment on a Board or Commission through which they hope to ease Sheldon into retirement.

R
Russ



ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

P. S. In Jack Flynt's absence, I gave his secretary, Mary Lou, a full report on your efforts with regard to Sheldon and the personnel meeting that was arranged today.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 17, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
FROM: RUSS ROURKE *R*
SUBJECT: Ambassador Turner Sheldon

I returned your call today to Turner Sheldon.

Sheldon advises me that he met with Larry Eagleburger for 1½ hours on Monday. They went over the entire situation. Eagleburger advised Sheldon that Haig had confirmed to him that "the policies that Sheldon carried out in Nicaragua were the policies of the Administration." He further indicated that Haig spoke with Scowcroft in the very recent past and was "very forceful" in support of Sheldon's situation.

When asked by Eagleburger as to what post he would be interested in, Sheldon responded that he would prefer an Ambassadorial assignment to Eastern Europe. Eagleburger indicated that he would take the matter up with Henry Kissinger and get back with him asap.

I call your attention once again to the attached memo re my recent conversation with Brent Scowcroft on this subject.

Naturally, Sheldon requested your continued efforts in his behalf.



R - Show to MAY ✓
9/20/75
MJ

Russos call

To Mr. Mans
Date 9-16 Time 4:29

WHILE YOU WERE OUT

M Amb. Turner
of Sheldon
Phone 293-1000 X667

Area Code Number Extension

TELEPHONED		PLEASE CALL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CALLED TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	<input type="checkbox"/>
WANTS TO SEE YOU		URGENT	<input type="checkbox"/>

RETURNED YOUR CALL

Message _____



el

Operator

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



Larry Eagleburger

1 1/2 hrs. - went over
everything - Haig had
conferred to Lang that
Coul. had carried out the
policy - he asked him where
he wanted to go -
Eastern Europe

Larry said he would
take it up w/ K. as soon
as possible -

(Haig spoke w/ Brent
recently - "very forcefully")
"they say it's a WH decision"

September 24, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: JACK MARSH
SUBJECT: Turner Sheldon

Any word back on Turner Sheldon? Would you send a copy of any reports or memos on this matter to Brent Scowcroft?

Many thanks.

JOM/dl



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 25, 1975

*Dick -
Call Russ
Rourke
K*

*Russ -
Dick said
to get word
Sennett.
Kathie*

MEMORANDUM FOR:

MAX FRIEDERSDORF
~~RUSS ROURKE~~

FROM:

JACK MARSH *JM*

SUBJECT:

Turner Sheldon

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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September 25, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
RUSS ROURKE

FROM: JACK MARSH *JM*

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It's essential that we get something moving on this today.

cc: Don Rumsfeld



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JOM/dl



September 26

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



Jack --

I have spoken personally with Cheney
about Turner Sheldon and I have given
him our entire file for his review.

Wheeler
Russ
Sheldon!
M

SEP 26 1975

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 9-25-75

TO: Jack Marsh

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf

For Your Information

Please Handle _____

Please See Me _____

Comments, Please _____




Other Scowcroft promised
to come up with
something for
Shelton.

Sheldon,
Turner

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 25, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: PATRICK E. O'DONNELL 
SUBJECT: Turner Shelton/Senator Percy

Senator Percy met Shelton for the first time yesterday. He will not judge him on the basis of a Jack Anderson column but states if the State Department persists in refusing to submit the relevant documents on the incident in Nicaragua, there is no chance of confirmation for any position!

On the other hand, if the documents are forthcoming he will make sure that Turner gets a fair shake.



A large, stylized handwritten signature, possibly reading "S. J. Turner".

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 25, 1975

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cc; Don Rumsfeld



September 29

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



Jack:

I heard Brent Scowcroft tell Senator Curtis that they were painfully aware of the retirement date item and were "crashing" to make certain that this particular facet of the overall problem is taken care of.

[Handwritten signature]
Rus
[Handwritten signature]
Thursday

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 9-27-75

TO: _____

Jack

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf

For Your Information _____ ✓

Please Handle _____

Please See Me _____

Comments, Please _____

Other

*Dary Bennett
has asked State to
come up with a
slat soonest.*



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Mac -

Turner

Sheldon



States?

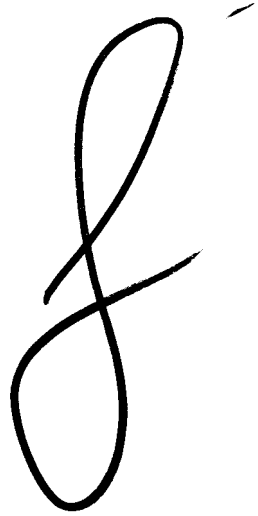
Jack

Max, I'm very
concerned about a possible retire-
ment date. We may already be
too late. State may be trying to drag
out part that. Jack

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
FROM: RUSS ROURKE *R*



FYI: While I was speaking with Doug Bennet today, he took a call from Carl Curtis. He thought it was in reference to old Turner Sheldon. As indicated in my memo of two days ago, I ~~leaned on~~ poor old Bud McFarlane for a status report ... Obviously, Jack (without being unfair), I am convinced that the guidance with which they have been presented is just to "wait us out."

*I saw Brent
Wed p/m and he
promises an answer
today!
m*



SEP 25 1975

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 9-24-75

TO: Jack Marsh

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf

For Your Information

Please Handle _____

Please See Me _____

Comments, Please _____



Other *We have been in touch with Brenton this.*



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 24, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
FROM: JACK MARSH *Jack*
SUBJECT: Turner Sheldon

Any word back on Turner Sheldon? Would you send a copy of any reports or memos on this matter to Brent Scowcroft?

Many thanks.

Ill received. go into great depth re Nicaragua. Not happy...

R - Follow up



Turner Sheldon

October 20, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: JACK MARSH
FROM: RUSS ROURKE

Jack, FYI, at our Personnel meeting, it's decided that John Lehman be dispatched to the Hill and utilize his own Conservative credentials to sell John Newhouse to the unhappy Conservative Senators.

Doug Bennett, after getting all of State's background materials on Turner Sheldon, will go up to see Carl Curtis (accompanied by Bill Kendall) and lay the whole situation out. If Curtis still persists, despite the Hugh Scott, Shuck Percy, Jack Brooks, et al., positions to the contrary, so be it... for your information, I am attaching a memo I have just sent to Max, Doug and Bill Kendall on this same subject.

RAR:cb



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OCT 23 1975

Turner Shelton

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 23, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
DOUG BENNETT

FROM: MAX FRIEDERSDORF *M.F.*

SUBJECT: Turner Shelton

Senator Hugh Scott advised me that he thought it would be a great mistake to send up the nomination of Turner Shelton for an ambassadorial post.

Senator Scott said that it was his judgement that a confrontation with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee was inevitable, and after having a field day, the Committee would ultimately turn the nomination down.

The Senator said it would be a futile exercise for a lousy appointment and would bring nothing but grief to the President. I advised him that we have received strong pressure from other Senators for this nomination which the Senator said he was aware of, but thought that the nomination, nevertheless should not be sent to the Hill.

cc: Don Rumsfeld
Bill Kendall

*Max - I believe it has to
go up.
Jack*

*gone & cy.
P. Mat
10.23
cc*

Washington Star
Saturday, October 25, 1975

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Congress from
struggle over
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Hill to Ford: Forget Shelton Nomination

By Jeremiah O'Leary
Washington Star Staff Writer

The Senate Foreign Relations

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 31, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: JACK MARSH

FROM: RUSS ROURKE *Russ*

Jack, the latest bulletin on ~~Turner Sheldon~~ Gerry O'Leary advises me today that Henry Kissinger told him yesterday, "I think the White House still intends to go ahead with the Sheldon nomination". O'Leary then spoke with Jack Brooks, who promptly dispatched two Government Ops committee investigators to the State Department to dig into Sheldon's records. O'Leary indicated, unless Brooks gets a signal from the White House that the Sheldon matter is a dead issue, he intends to schedule a hearing to "blow the green toad out of the water".

I gave this report to Max. Max advises that Doug Bennett spoke with Carl Curtis. Curtis still adamant... believes all the ~~charges~~ charges are superficial, groundless and just a lot of bull.

FYI, if the investigators come up with anything at all, I can assure you that Brooks will leak it all to O'Leary, who will promptly do another ~~full~~ page article.

Grant