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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

8/3/76

Ron,

I've just read the transcript
from yesterday's press briefing.

They don't pay you enough.
They couldn't pay you enough.

Pat Butcher



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 17, 1977

Dear Ron,

I am sorry to say that when it comes to writing personal correspondence, I am well nigh illiterate. This condition is exacerbated when I must respond to one of the most thoughtful letters I have ever received.

Laboring in the lower vineyards of the White House has had its own rewards, but having the opportunity on occasion to work directly with people like you, not to mention the President, has been a particularly gratifying experience.

I have said before how much I admire your stamina in coping with a very difficult job. You have served the President well, and I hope your next career finds you in an equally challenging--and perhaps more enjoyable--situation.

I have really enjoyed working with you and getting to know you, and I value your continued friendship.

Sincerely,



PATRICK BUTLER

