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THE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20202

June 20, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Weekly Report of ED Major Activities

Appointments

Chuck Bunting has been appointed to the position of Executive Assistant to the Secretary effective July 22. Chuck is currently the Acting Director of the Fund for the Improvement of Post-secondary Education. He will replace Marshall Smith, who is joining the faculty of the University of Wisconsin.

Senate Confirmations

On June 18 the Senate confirmed the following appointments: Edwin W. Martin, Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Cynthia G. Brown, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights; Martha Keys, Assistant Secretary for Legislation; and Daniel Taylor, Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education.

Congressional Veto of Regulations

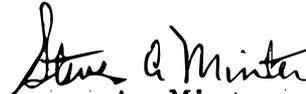
On June 19 I met with Congressman Carl Perkins, Chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor, to discuss the Congressional disapproval by concurrent resolution of four education program regulations. The Department will continue to work closely with the Department of Justice and the White House General Counsel on this issue.

Youth Act

Consideration of the Youth Act of 1980 by the full House has been delayed until June 24. The Senate Subcommittee on Education, Arts and the Humanities held hearings on the bill on June 17 and 18. Subcommittee Chairman Pell has indicated his general support for the bill, but has not yet scheduled a subcommittee mark-up.

Higher Education Reauthorization

Senate action on the Higher Education reauthorization bill is tentatively scheduled for June 24.


Steven A. Minter
Acting Secretary

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Services Administration



MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

TO: Rick Hutcheson
Staff Secretary
Frank N. Jones, Jr.

FROM: William W. Allison
Acting Director

SUBJECT: Weekly Report of Significant Agency Activity
(June 16-20, 1980)

DATE: June 20, 1980

HOUSING ADVOCACY PROGRAM FOR THE RURAL POOR

CSA has set aside \$610,000 in fiscal year 1980 for a program to mobilize resources to provide decent shelter for the poor. The program compliments the overall program which CSA funds.

The role of CSA in the program will be that of a catalyst. It will take the lead in building coalitions in a maximum of 20 states which will mobilize resources to provide decent shelter for the poor.

These coalitions will be made up of existing or new housing advocacy organizations, both public and private, and will include religious and civic groups. Each of the coalitions will receive a grant of \$20,000 to \$25,000. These state projects will focus on (1) increasing housing resources for the poor, (2) targeting and increasing the availability and access to existing limited funds, (3) building coalitions in the public and private sectors, and (4) assuring low-income representation on housing policy-making boards. Although the program has a rural focus, cooperation with urban groups and urban issues will be encouraged.

In addition to the 20 state grants, a grant of not more than 20 per cent of the total funds awarded to the state grantees will be made to a national organization.

This national grantee will provide the state projects with support services to assist them in developing, coordinating, and expanding the housing resources of the poor. On a multi-state and national level, it will focus on bringing about changes in existing law, regulations, and policies and procedures of institutions that have the ability or responsibility to meet the housing needs of the poor.



THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON 20220

June 20, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Highlights of Treasury Activities

1. THE MARKETS AND THE DOLLAR

- . Stocks moved lower on balance in heavy trading. Analysts anticipated the decline as a technical correction after the large gains of recent weeks. The Dow Jones index closed today at 869.71, down 6.74 points from last Friday's close.
- . In the credit markets interest rates edged up over the week in light trading.
- . The prime rates posted by most major banks remain unchanged in the 12 to 12 1/2 percent range.
- . Gold in London declined \$5 over the week to close at \$602.50 today. The June silver contract closed today \$.58 cents lower than last Friday at \$15.66.
- . The dollar appreciated slightly against European currencies and the Japanese yen in quiet markets. There was no requirement for Federal Reserve or Treasury intervention.

2. CHRYSLER CORPORATION

- . The Chrysler Loan Guarantee Board will meet Tuesday, June 24, and is expected to take final action to issue loan guarantees of up to \$500 million. By then, Chrysler expects to have obtained the unanimous consent of its lending banks to participate in the corporation's restructuring and all necessary documentation should be completed.

3. TURKISH DEBT RESCHEDULING

- . Negotiations on a rescheduling of Turkey's debt obligations to OECD countries recessed on June 19. The Turkish authorities rejected the OECD proposal for a significant package of debt relief on a multi-year basis on the grounds that they would be financially unable to adhere to the revised debt

repayment schedule. Most OECD countries, including the U.S., were not willing to agree to the very liberal and precedent-setting terms proposed by the Turks. Germany, however, supported the Turkish position. We may have to deal with this issue on the fringes of the Summit meetings. Negotiations will resume on July 8.

4. INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS LEGISLATION

- . This week the Senate passed both the IMF quota increase and the IDA VI replenishment authorization bills. They are now awaiting House action.



G. William Miller



Veterans
Administration

JUNE 19 1980



TO : The President
THRU : Rick Hutcheson, Staff Secretary
FROM : Administrator of Veterans Affairs

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Max G. ...'.

VA Presidential Update

Quiet Heroics in Grand Island - On your June 10 visit to Grand Island I understand your motorcade drove past our VA hospital in that Nebraska city. Here is the story behind the scene of devastation you no doubt witnessed:

In our hospital the night the tornado struck were 142 patients cared for by a night-time staff of 20 employees. In a matter of minutes after the tornado warning was received all patients were moved from upper floors to interior corridors and the first-floor shelter. The electric power went out just as the last of the litter patients were brought down on the elevators. Despite very severe damage to the hospital, no patient was injured and there was no sign of panic.

Since the hospital was rendered inoperable by the storm, all of the patients were evacuated in a remarkably short time - most air-lifted to VA hospitals in Omaha and Lincoln and the Offutt Air Force Base, and a few to community hospitals. Alerted hospitals were ready and waiting for patients and the evacuation was orderly and efficient.

Next, hospital employees turned to clearing the debris (all but 3 of more than 100 trees were uprooted and most of the 800 windows were shattered) and engineers coped with internal destruction.

Although it will require an estimated \$1.3 million to fully restore the hospital, all outpatient clinics were back in service by June 10. The 38 nursing home care patients were returned June 16 and 17. Many of the hospital patients will be coming back next week as the repair work continues.

Media reports were very complimentary about the quietly efficient work of the hospital staff, including copious tributes to the VA employees by the hospital patients.

We, of course, are taking steps to give award recognition to a mighty fine staff.