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Office of the Governor

Atlanta

from the desk of

Jimmy Carter

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WBT
9-24-74

To Charles Morgan
You almost lived up
to your reputation this morn-
ing, & I thoroughly en-
joyed being with you. A
lot of my fuzzy thinking
was clarified & you didn't
say anything to discourage
me.

Let me know when you
& your wife & son can come
to spend the night (or longer)
with us. Call either (404)
652-1776 or 261-1776. We'll
be looking forward to it.

Jimmy

Mr. Charles Morgan
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July 31, 1974

Governor Jimmy Carter
1974 Campaign Chairman;
Democratic National Committee
P. O. Box 1524
Atlanta, Georgia 30301

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Sincerely,



Aryeh Neier

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Sincerely,



Aryeh Neier

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12:00 - Sept. 13

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August 7, 1974

Mr. Aryeh Neier
American Civil Liberties Union
22 East 40th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Aryeh:

Thank you for your letter of July 31. I share your concern that the Nixon Administration has concealed much of its activity from the American public to an unprecedented degree.

I am enclosing our issue analysis paper on privacy which I believe will be of interest to you. I have asked my staff to contact you to arrange an appointment when you are in Atlanta.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Carter

JC/scg
Enclosure

To: Governor Carter

From: Steve Chandler

Date: August 7, 1974

Hamilton suggests that you spend perhaps an hour talking with Aryeh Neier; he would be an important contact. Would you want to either have lunch with him or invite him to the Mansion?

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[Signature]