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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

12/12/79

TO: JIM MCINTYRE
FROM: RICK HUTCHESON
SUBJECT: Attached Memo

Phil Wise says that there is no time to schedule this proposed event.

Should you wish to pursue this proposal further, please get together with Al McDonald and Phil Wise before coming back to the President with a memo.

Thanks.

cc: Al McDonald
    Phil Wise
    Fran Voorde
THE WHITE HOUSE
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DATE: 11 DEC 79
FOR ACTION: AL MCDONALD
FRANK MOORE
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AMBASSADOR ASKEW
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INFO ONLY: THE VICE PRESIDENT
ZBIG BRZEZINSKI
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SUBJECT: MCINTYRE MEMO RE INTERNATIONAL TRADE REORGANIZATION PLAN

RESPONSE DUE TO RICK HUTCHESON STAFF SECRETARY (456-7052)
BY: 1200 PM WEDNESDAY 12 DEC 79

ACTION REQUESTED: YOUR COMMENTS
STAFF RESPONSE: ( ) I CONCUR. ( ) NO COMMENT. (X) HOLD.

PLEASE NOTE OTHER COMMENTS BELOW:
There is no time to squeeze this in. Phil
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT
FROM: Jim McIntyre
SUBJECT: International Trade Reorganization Plan

As you know, the international trade reorganization plan became law last week. This victory marks the 13th reorganization initiative which Congress has approved since 1977. None has been rejected.

Your success with the trade initiatives and our overall reorganization record deserve more recognition than they have received. The signing of the trade executive order offers an opportunity to herald our achievements.

I suggest an East Room ceremony scheduled around December 17, the date of the MTN signing in Geneva. We would invite representatives of the business community, labor, and Congressmen who have been our strong supporters on MTN and the trade reorganization. With these initiatives you have done more than any modern President to strengthen trade policy and increase trade opportunities abroad. Both Commerce and the U.S. Trade Representative endorse this ceremony.

At the ceremony, you can place the trade victory in the larger context of our other reorganization successes. Attached is a list of your reorganization accomplishments since 1977.

If you agree, I will work with Anne Wexler and Jack Watson to set it up.

Proceed with plans for East Room ceremony before Christmas:

Yes _______

No _______

Attachment
The Administration has sent 13 reorganization initiatives to the Congress and had them all approved.

Reorganization Authority Legislation: Congress in 1977 gave to the President authority to restructure the government through the use of reorganization plans. Congress had refused to give Presidents this authority since the Nixon Administration.

Executive Office of the President: Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1977 dealt with the Executive Office of the President. This plan reduced the number of units in the Executive Office, reduced the size of the White House staff, and set up an improved decision process for domestic policy and Presidential agenda setting.

Energy: A Department of Energy was established in 1977 to ensure that responsibility for energy-related functions will be vested in one organization that can be held accountable for Federal energy policy.

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Civil Service Reform Legislation: One of the most far-reaching of the President's reorganization efforts has been the reform of our hundred-year-old civil service system. Under this reform, Federal managers have been given greatly increased authority, flexibility, and incentives to manage the Federal workforce. Civil Service Reform will invigorate and increase the efficiency to recruit, retain, and reward dedicated, competent and productive Federal employees.
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Education: Congress has approved the creation of a Cabinet-level Department of Education consolidating over 150 Federal education programs. Creation of the new Department will lead to better management of education programs, reduce red tape and duplication, and give education the Cabinet voice and national leadership this important function deserves.

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MCINTYRE MEMO RE INTERNATIONAL TRADE REORGANIZATION:

"NSC concurs. NSC and Ambassador Owen will work with OMB and Wexler to prepare meeting."

ST: does not agree

Phil: turned down

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TO: AL MCDONALD
FROM: RICK HUTCHESON

Can't this be handled without involving the President?

I'm speaking here.

Johnson saying this is not a sound notion. I should not go to the President. Please hold while he takes it up with friends.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Frank Moore

I would appreciate it if you would send the following memorandum to Secretary Duncan. Bob Schule will take the slot filled by Bob Thomson who was moved over as my principal deputy.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY

Please make arrangements to detail Bob Schule to Frank Moore's office to work in Senate Liaison through the end of the legislative year next year.