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WASHINGTON

DATE: 25 FEB 80

FOR ACTION: JODY POWELL

attached

ANNE WEXLER

attached

ZBIG BREZEZINSKI

good idea

FRAN VOORDE

PHIL WISE

Hold

*but proposal needs to be
referred*

INFO ONLY: THE VICE PRESIDENT

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SUBJECT: SANDERS MEMO RE COMMEMORATION OF THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY
OF SIGNING OF THE EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI PEACE TREATY

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+ RESPONSE DUE TO RICK HUTCHESON STAFF SECRETARY (456-7052) +
+ BY: 1200 PM WEDNESDAY 27 FEB 80 +
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ACTION REQUESTED: YOUR COMMENTS

STAFF RESPONSE: () I CONCUR. () NO COMMENT. () HOLD.

PLEASE NOTE OTHER COMMENTS BELOW:

*Scheduled report
memo*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 20, 1980

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This need to schedule something important - me

Yes, as requested
1) Letter ^{with pictures}
2) Reception with Presidential Remarks
3) Briefing at State
1080 FEB 27 5 01

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*This needs to be worked into an overall strategy
before going to P Phil*

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Wexler's comments:

picture's are fine but they may cost too much

She concurs with an Eastern reception.

Briefing at state -- she's worried about the expense of travelling.

She doesn't see how you can ask out-of-staters to travel to the state department. She thinks Jewish leaders and other religious heads should be asked.

ID 801179

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DATE: 26 FEB 80

FOR ACTION: FRANK MOORE

JACK WATSON

ARNIE MILLER

INFO ONLY: STU EIZENSTAT

AL MCDONALD

SUBJECT:

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL STAATS LETTER RE

RESIGNATION OF ROBERT KELLER, DEPUTY COMPTROLLER GENERAL

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+ RESPONSE DUE TO RICK HUTCHESON STAFF SECRETARY (456-7052) +
+ BY: 1200 PM THURSDAY 28 FEB 80 +
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COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

February 26, 1980

The President
The White House

Dear Mr. President:

You have received the resignation of Robert F. Keller, Deputy Comptroller General, effective February 29. Under present law, the Deputy Comptroller General, like the Comptroller General, is appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate for a 15-year term. The present law, however, does not provide that these terms begin and end at the same time. A potentially serious problem would be presented, therefore, for both me and for the Office should the position be filled in accordance with the current statute.

Legislation has been passed by the House of Representatives and is nearing completion in the Senate which would resolve this problem by providing that the terms of the Comptroller General and the Deputy be co-terminous. It provides for an ad hoc commission made up of congressional leaders to nominate for your consideration individuals who would be satisfactory to the Congress and the Comptroller General. Unfortunately, this legislation will not reach you until after February 29.

In view of the above, I recommend that the position remain vacant until the completion of my term in approximately one year, March 8, 1981. Currently, I have authority to appoint an Acting Deputy Comptroller General in my absence. While I have not consulted with congressional leaders in making this request, I am certain that they would concur. In the past, difficulties have occurred in that the Comptroller General and the Deputy were not compatible. Part of the objective of the new legislation is to avoid this obviously undesirable possibility.

I would very much appreciate your favorable consideration.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elmer B. Staats".

Elmer B. Staats

✓	FOR STAFFING
	FOR INFORMATION
	FROM PRESIDENT'S OUTBOX
	LOG IN/TO PRESIDENT TODAY
	IMMEDIATE TURNAROUND
	NO DEADLINE
	FOR APPROPRIATE HANDLING
	LAST DAY FOR ACTION

	ADMIN CONFID
	CONFIDENTIAL
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	EYES ONLY

ACTION
FYI

	VICE PRESIDENT
	JORDAN
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	POWELL
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	BROWN
	CIVILETTI
	DUNCAN
	GOLDSCHMIDT
	HARRIS
	KREPS
	LANDRIEU
	MARSHALL

	MILLER
	VANCE
	BUTLER
	CAMPBELL
	H. CARTER
	CLOUGH
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	FRANCIS
	HARDEN
	HERTZBERG
	HUTCHESON
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✓	MILLER
	MOE
	PETERSON
	PRESS
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	SPETH
	STRAUSS
	TORRES
	VOORDE
	WISE



THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
Washington, D.C. 20230

"ACTION"

24 OCT 1979

Dear Mr. President:

Rear Admiral Allen L. Powell, former Director of the National Ocean Survey, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and a member of the Mississippi River Commission, has retired. I have the honor of recommending the appointment of Rear Admiral H. R. Lippold, Jr., the new Director of the National Ocean Survey, as his replacement on the Mississippi River Commission.

The Mississippi River Commission, consisting of seven members, was established by the Act of June 28, 1879, 21 Stat. 37, 33 USC §641-647. The Act requires that one member shall be selected from the Coast and Geodetic Survey. By Presidential Reorganization Plan #4 of 1970, that organization was consolidated into the National Ocean Survey.

A full field investigation of Admiral Lippold was satisfactorily completed by the Civil Service Commission and became effective on November 19, 1973, and a reinvestigation was completed and became effective on February 2, 1978. A biographical sketch of Admiral Lippold is enclosed.

Respectfully,


Juanita M. Kreps

Enclosure

The President
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 29, 1979

MEMORANDUM TO RICK HUTCHESON

FROM: PEGGY RAINWATER



SUBJECT: Mississippi River
Commission

By law the President appoints the members to this Commission. In order to process this letter, we must go through the normal procedures for a Presidential appointment with Senate confirmation, i.e., memorandum for the President and an FBI investigation.

ID 794709

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DATE: 26 OCT 79

FOR ACTION: ARNIE MILLER

Hold for Regan > check
JH Hopper

INFO ONLY: JACK WATSON

SUBJECT: KREPS MEMO RE MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION

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Peggy
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fante -
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*We need to take appropriate
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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

I have today approved H.R. 4337, which would reorganize the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission and abolish the Annual Assay Commission, the U.S. Marine Corps Memorial Commission, and the Low Emission Vehicle Certification Board. These reorganizations are the result of the review of small agencies by the President's Reorganization Project in the Office of Management and Budget. I commend the Congress, and, particularly, Representative Jack Brooks and Senator Abraham Ribicoff, for the passage of this legislation.

The Foreign Claims Settlement Commission is a three-member Commission with support staff which decides claims of U.S. citizens whose properties in foreign countries have been destroyed by military action or expropriated by foreign governments. The reorganization contained in this legislation transfers the Commission to the Department of Justice and changes the appointment status of two of the three full-time Commissioners from full-time to part-time. The reorganization will improve the utilization of the Commissioners' time and save about \$100,000 annually. In addition, placement of the Commission within the framework of a larger department provides a base for maintaining claims expertise and accomplishing residual activities.

Three other small agencies are abolished by this legislation:

(1) The Annual Assay Commission is abolished. The Commission was created in 1792 to monitor and insure that coins produced by the Bureau of the Mint contained the required equivalent value of gold and silver. As a result of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934 and the Coinage Act of 1965, the United States no longer produces gold or silver coins of equivalent value and the need for a separate Commission has diminished. Other functions of the Commission which

involve testing of weights and size of coins are routinely carried out by personnel of the Bureau of the Mint and the National Bureau of Standards.

(2) The U.S. Marine Corps Memorial Commission is abolished because it accomplished its legislative mandate of formulating plans for an appropriate memorial to members of the U.S. Marine Corps who gave their lives in the service of their country. An armory was constructed in Grant Park, Chicago, Illinois, as a result of the Commission's activities.

(3) The Low Emission Vehicle Certification Board is abolished. The Board was created to encourage the use of, and to certify, low-emission vehicles which it determined were suitable substitutes for classes of vehicles being procured by the Federal Government. The Board has been inactive for over three years and legislative developments in the energy area negate the need for the Board. The Electric and Hybrid R&D Demonstration Act of 1976 (P.L. 94-413) encourages development of low emission vehicles and requires GSA and the Postal Service to introduce low emission vehicles into their fleets as soon as possible.



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAR 10 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 4337 - Reorganization of the
Foreign Claims Settlement Commission
Sponsor - Rep. Brooks (D) Texas

Last Day for Action

March 15, 1980 - Saturday

Purpose

To reorganize and transfer the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission to the Department of Justice and to abolish the Annual Assay Commission, the U.S. Marine Corps Memorial Commission, and the Low Emission Vehicle Certification Board.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval (Signing statement attached)
Foreign Claims Settlement Commission	Approval
Office of Personnel Management	Approval
Environmental Protection Agency	Approval
Department of Justice	No objection
Department of the Treasury	No objection

Discussion

H.R. 4337, which is substantially identical to the Administration's proposal, passed both Houses by voice votes. The enrolled bill is the result of the President's Reorganization Project's review of a number of smaller agencies to determine if their missions were still relevant and whether or not there was a need for these agencies to report directly to the President.

H.R. 4337, which takes effect upon enactment, will transfer the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission to the Department of Justice, and change the service of two of the three full-time Commissioners to part-time. The Commission is a small agency which decides claims of U.S. citizens whose properties in foreign countries have been destroyed by

military action or expropriated by foreign governments. Placement of the Commission within the larger framework of a Department will enable it to accommodate a fluctuating workload, and to utilize existing support services available within the Department. Two of the Commissioners are not needed on a full-time basis. These actions will save about \$100,000 per year.

The bill will also abolish three obsolete agencies:

(1) The Annual Assay Commission. The functions of the Commission have essentially become ceremonial and it now lacks a relevant statutory role. The basic purpose of the Commission, created in 1792, was to insure that our coinage contained its equivalent value of gold and silver. Following passage of the Coinage Act of 1965, the United States ceased general production of coins containing precious metals. There is no evidence that the Commission's existence affects the quality of our coinage at all today.

(2) The U.S. Marine Corps Memorial Commission. The Commission has completed its legislative mandate to formulate plans for an appropriate memorial to members of the U.S. Marine Corps who have given their lives in the service of their country. The memorial is located in Grant Park, Chicago, Illinois.

(3) The Low Emission Vehicle Certification Board. The Board has been inactive for over three years. The Board was established to certify low emission vehicles which it determined were suitable substitutes for other classes of vehicles being procured by the Federal Government. It has never made any such certifications. Recent energy legislation (P.L. 94-413) requires the Department of Energy to encourage development of low emission vehicles and negates the need for the Board's certification.

Attached for your consideration is a proposed signing statement.

(Signed) James M. Frey

Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures