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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 13, 1977

Dear Mr. Connally -

I hope you will excuse this direct approach as I don't know you.

I regretted and was personally offended by a recent Evans and Novak article that said people at the White House under my direction were conducting an "investigation" of you.

This story is completely untrue. To the best of my knowledge, no one here has had anything to do with such a matter. If you have had information to the contrary, I would certainly like to have it.

I told our mutual friend Bob Strauss how upset I was about this, and he suggested that I write you directly. It is just not our style. And, as I told Strauss, if it were a good thing to do, nobody here is smart enough to pull it off.

Come to see me next time you are in the city

Regards.

Hamilton

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