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FROM: JOE CALIFANO
TO: THE PRESIDENT (ATTN JACK VALENTI)
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MONDAY, 1:00 P.M.
FEBRUARY 7, 1966

FOR THE PRESIDENT (ATTENTION: JACK VALENTI)
FROM JOE CALIFANO

THE TRANSPORTATION MESSAGE WILL BE READY FOR YOUR REVIEW AND SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS IN TWO OR THREE DAYS. MAGNUSON WILL BE OUT OF TOWN, HOWEVER, AND WOULD LIKE US TO DELAY UNTIL HE RETURNS. MAGNUSON WILL COME BACK ON THE MORNING OF FEBRUARY 16TH AND INTRODUCE THE LEGISLATION ON FEBRUARY 17TH IF WE SUBMIT THE MESSAGE ON THAT DAY. LEE WHITE AND I ARE SCHEDULED TO SEE HIM TOMORROW TO WORK THIS OUT. IF YOU APPROVE, WE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

1. BRIEF MAGNUSON TOMORROW IN SOME DETAIL ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE PROGRAM WHICH HAS NOW BEEN WORKED OUT AND WITH WHICH HE WILL AGREE.
2. PLAN TO HAVE THE PRE-MESSAGE BRIEFING FOR CONGRESSMEN ON THE EVENING OF FEBRUARY 16TH IN THE WHITE HOUSE MESS. MAGNUSON WILL BE HERE AT THAT TIME.
3. BRIEF THE PRESS ON THE MORNING OF FEBRUARY 17TH.
4. BRIEF INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES AND TRADE ORGANIZATIONS AT THE WHITE HOUSE ON FEBRUARY 17TH AT NOON (THE DAY THE MESSAGE GOES UP).

YOU WILL RECALL THAT YOU HAVE ALREADY APPROVED THE SUBSTANCE OF ALL THE PROPOSALS INVOLVED (THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF THE ICC CHAIRMAN AND THE HIGHWAY SAFETY ACT).

WE WOULD NOT BOTHER YOU WITH THIS NOW, BUT MAGNUSON LEAVES TOWN BEFORE YOU RETURN FROM HONOLULU AND LEE AND I MUST SEE HIM TUESDAY.

APPROVE.....DISAPPROVE.....

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 11, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR JOE CALIFANO

FROM: Mike Manatos *M.M.*

It would appear to me the Senate Leadership and the Senator listed under the Commerce, Public Works and Government Operations Committees all ought to be invited for the White House briefing on the President's Transportation Message. This is a total of 23 Senators. I would not invite any Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee because it would just confuse the issue. Our problem now is to persuade Congress to enact the transportation program. Funding it is not really a problem once the program is enacted.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20230

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MEMORANDUM

To : Henry Wilson, The White House (Attn: Mrs. Jean Lewis)
From : Paul Southwick *P.S.*
Subject: Commerce Department Legislative Report

I. Department of Transportation

Lee White and Joe Califano have talked to Magnuson. So has Secretary Connor. Magnuson satisfied with proposal. He told Secretary Connor that he will get his turn at questions "when the nominations are up" before his Committee.

Senator McClellan told Alan Boyd and me that he will hold the hearings himself on the Department of Transportation bill and will "expedite" the matter. His first question concerned what functions if any the new Department would take from the Corps of Engineers on navigation projects. Alan Boyd assured him that there would be only a minor effect on the Corps of Engineers, and Senator McClellan seemed reasonably satisfied. He said he would not want any change which would make it more difficult to obtain navigation projects, and he cited a number of specific examples in his State.

McClellan also said his schedule of hearings might be affected by his re-election campaign, depending upon what kind of opposition he encounters.

Without making a commitment, he said he looked favorably toward the new Department proposal despite his general opposition to "adding new Departments!"

He told us he was particularly anxious about a project in Camden, Arkansas, involving Federal aid for the establishment of some kind of vocational or manpower training school on land and buildings donated by Brown-Root. He indicated this was a matter before the Economic Development Administration, and as I understand it, the question is whether donation of the land can be counted as the local matching requirement. "Can it be done," McClellan said. "Let me know and, if so, then hold it." We will pursue this with Gene Foley.

Senator Ribicoff told Alan Boyd and me that he will go with us on the Department of Transportation. He said that because of the number of reorganization plans being discussed and proposed, he would ask Joe Califano for a list of priorities. He said he would cooperate fully.

Since it was only today that we learned through you that we could discuss these matters with key members of Congress, we have not had a chance to schedule meetings for Alan Boyd or the Secretary with any others. We are seeking appointments with Congressmen Carl Albert, Fallon, Staggers and Dawson and Senator Randolph as soon as possible next week on both the Department of Transportation and the highway safety bill. (McNamara, of course, is in the hospital.)

In the House, Reorganization Subcommittee of Government Operations expects to schedule prompt hearings when the bill is transmitted. Both Interstate and Foreign Commerce and Merchant Marine and Fisheries are expected to hold separate hearings on their respective phases of the proposal although we expect actual bill will be handled through Government Operations.

II. Highway Safety

Senator Ribicoff in a discussion with Alan Boyd and me said he would express no positive opinions on the proposed highway safety program until he has had a chance to look at it further with the assistance of his staff. He said that obviously it was a step in the right direction, but he served notice that he would publicly criticize shortcomings if he felt the proposal was deficient.

He said he did not intend to hold any additional highway safety hearings during the consideration of the President's program in view of the fact that the President's bill would be handled by a different Committee. (Ribicoff expects that the President's bill will be handled by the Commerce Committee.) In doubt about the jurisdiction and at your suggestion, I have asked for an appointment for the Secretary to talk to Carl Albert in the House, and at Mike Manatos' suggestion, I will talk to Frank Valeo tomorrow.

Alan Boyd, the Secretary and myself will discuss highway safety with Fallon, Staggers and Randolph as soon as we can get appointments.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

7:45 pm. Monday
February 14, 1966

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FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM Joe Califano *Califano*

Attached are:

1. Henry Wilson's memorandum with enclosures reviewing Congressional contacts on the Transportation Department, Safety Bill and Water Pollution.
2. List of industry representatives with whom Lee White and I have reviewed the transportation program.

In view of this, I believe that we should go on Wednesday night with the Transportation briefing and on Thursday with the message. We are all geared up to give it the kind of Congressional and industry send-off the message should have. It would be helpful to have your decision tonight so that we can invite the industry people (many of whom have to come from far-off places) tomorrow.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Attachments

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next week - Cong will be back -*

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

7:30 pm. Monday
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MEMORANDUM FOR JOE CALIFANO

FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM Henry Wilson

Since Secretary Connor and Paul Southwick are concentrating on the Government Operations Committee on the Department of
Larry O'Brien, Joe Califano and I have conferred at some length on the question of messages and prior consultation with committee members.

As a result of our discussion, the contacts reported in the attached papers and the desire of the leadership to get the message, we think the Transportation message should go Thursday and Pollution on Wednesday. (See the attached memos from Southwick, Manatos and Udall.)

They are continuing their contacts on the bill.

Senator Magnuson is enthusiastic. He is ready to move ahead and has made plans to be here Wednesday night for a briefing and to introduce the bills Thursday.

Not that but from Congress

Senator Hartke - Claims he will have to see the program until he can commit himself. He has heard some objections. Asked the question why we omitted including the Interstate Commerce Commission.

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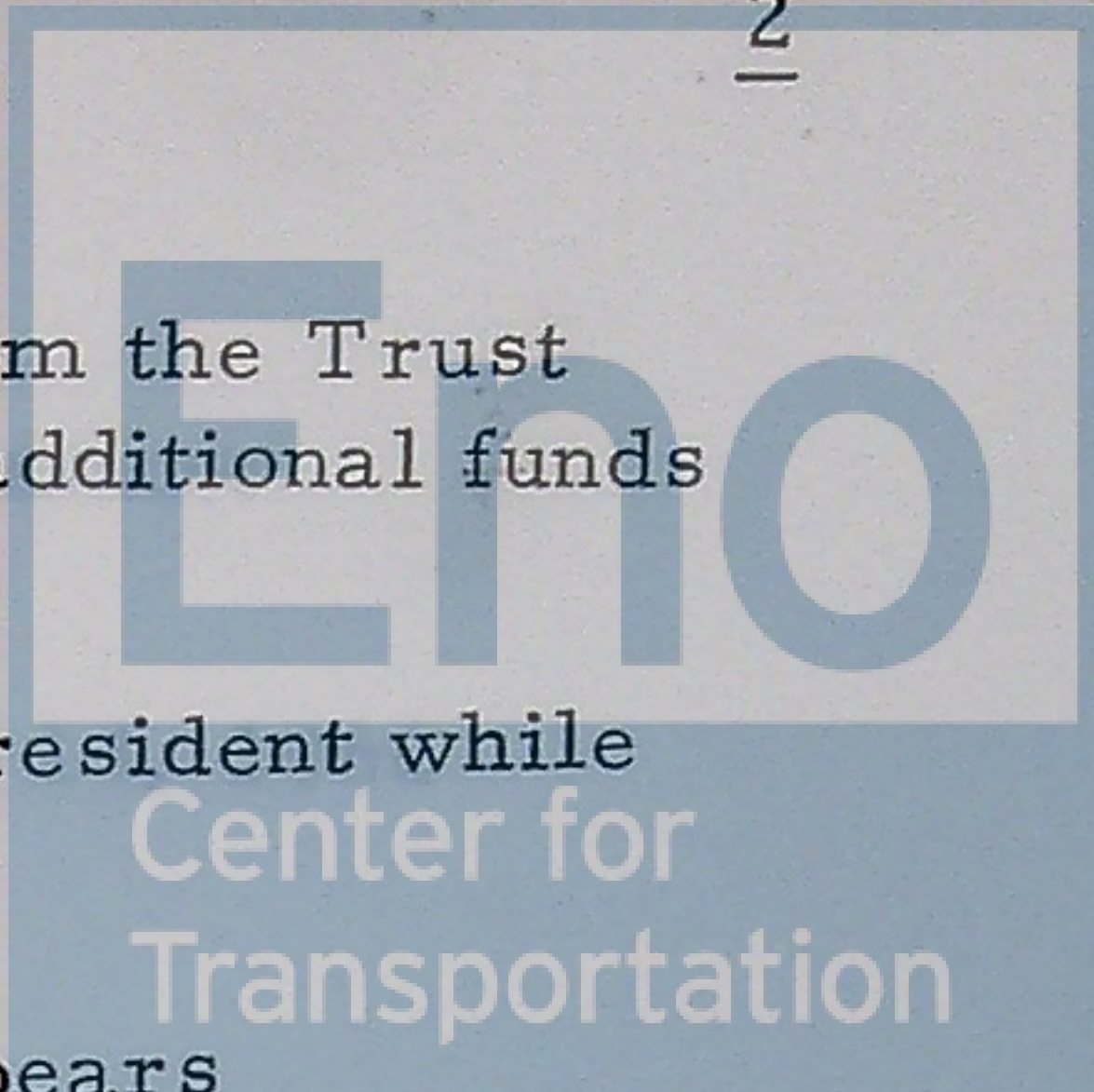
Senator Neuberger - Out of the city. Back Wednesday.

Senator Bass - Out of the city. Back Wednesday.

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Congressional sentiment on proposed Department of Transportation,
appointment of ICC Chairman and proposed highway safety program

- McClellan - (previously talked to) Okay on new Department; will hold hearings himself and expedite.
- Ribicoff - All the way with us on new Department; will probably have reservations about adequacy of highway safety proposal.
- Jackson - For the Department proposal; questioned whether it will cost more money.
- Irwin - Normally not in favor of new Departments; wants to study proposal.
- Robert Kennedy - Unavailable; will call Secretary Connor later.
- Metcalf - Wholeheartedly in favor of new Department, but makes no final commitment. Wants assurance the new Department will not hurt the Corps of Engineers.
- Dawson - Favorably disposed toward the President's proposals, but just beginning to think about them.
- Jack Brooks - Most enthusiastic about new Department and ICC appointment.
- Fountain - Has not had time to consider carefully, but his natural reaction is against setting up new Departments.
- Porter Hardy - General aspects of new Department make sense, but wants more details.
- Garmatz - (Secretary Connor has an appointment to see him tomorrow.)
- Fascell - Has a favorable impression on the new Department.
- Reuss - Has reservations; opposed to proliferation of new Departments, but is open to "persuasion."
- Holifield - Will go along with both Department and ICC proposals; expects to handle the Department bill himself; wants to be informed of any jurisdictional problem among House Committees and the attitude of outside interests. Will offer Staggers and Garmatz both an early opportunity to testify or make statements.



Fallon - Concerned about taking additional money from the Trust Fund. He favors the safety program, provided additional funds can be added to the Trust Fund.

Jones of Alabama - Will go along (he talked to the President while we were in his office.)

Rep. Moss - Makes no positive commitments but appears favorable to both the Department and ICC proposals. Feels that the Government Operations Committee will approve the new Department. Questions why highway safety program will go to Public Works. (Moss is on both Government Operations and Commerce Committees.) He expressed no view on the safety program.

Staggers - Has nothing against the new Department, and does not object to transfer of safety functions of CAB and ICC as long as the other regulatory functions are left intact in those agencies. He is very upset about information he said he has obtained that the Bureau of the Budget is considering the permanent appointment of a Republican incumbent on the ICC as Chairman if the President's proposal on ICC goes through. He said that would cause "a lot of trouble up here." He said he would oppose the whole thing on that basis. He expressed the conviction that the Commerce Committee should have jurisdiction over some of the features I mentioned in the highway safety program.

Kluczynski - Not available, but his staff reports he is okay on highway safety, including financing from the Trust Fund.

Edmondson - Okay on safety, including stand-by authority on vehicles.

Muskie - Department sounds pretty good; okay on safety.

Gruening - Okay on Department and strong on safety.

Senator McNamara is in the hospital and Senator Randolph was unavailable because he was on the road traveling. Alan Boyd will contact him tomorrow morning.

Magnuson - You and Lee White have talked to him. Secretary Connor has previously talked to him and he appears okay on new Department.

On the ICC proposal we encountered no objections except Staggers', which, of course, may be based on mis-information.

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Since Secretary Connor and Paul Southwick are concentrating on the Government Operations Committee on the Department of Transportation I have called as many of the Senate Commerce Committee members as I could reach, some in and some out of Washington. Here is the run-down:

Senator Pastore - "I applaud the idea. It's great."

Senator Monroney - Won't know until he sees the proposed program. He worries about the different modes of transportation and what emphasis will be given to each by the Chairman of the new department.

Senator Lausche - Out of the city. Will be back late Tuesday.

Senator Bartlett - Out of the city. Back late Tuesday.

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Let's don't ask him anymore if anything.

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THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20230

February 15, 1966

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MEMORANDUM

To : Joe Califano
From: Secretary of Commerce

Attached are reports on additional contacts made by Under Secretary Boyd, Paul Southwick, Lowell Bridwell and me on the Department of Transportation, highway safety and ICC.

Of particular importance tomorrow are appointments Boyd is seeking with both Chairman Fallon and Senator Randolph.

Meanwhile, we will pursue contacts with additional Democrats on the three Committees involved in both House and Senate and begin contacting Republicans as well, as suggested by Henry Wilson.

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Department of Transportation

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ICC

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Paul Rogers - No strong thoughts.

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Ronan - Okay.

Satterfield - No feeling.

Kornegay - Knows of no objections.

Rivers - Okay.

Dingell - I'm for that. "ICC is the most moss-backed agency of them all. It's a carnival for special interests."

Kennedy, NY - No objection to ICC Chairman being Presidential appointee.

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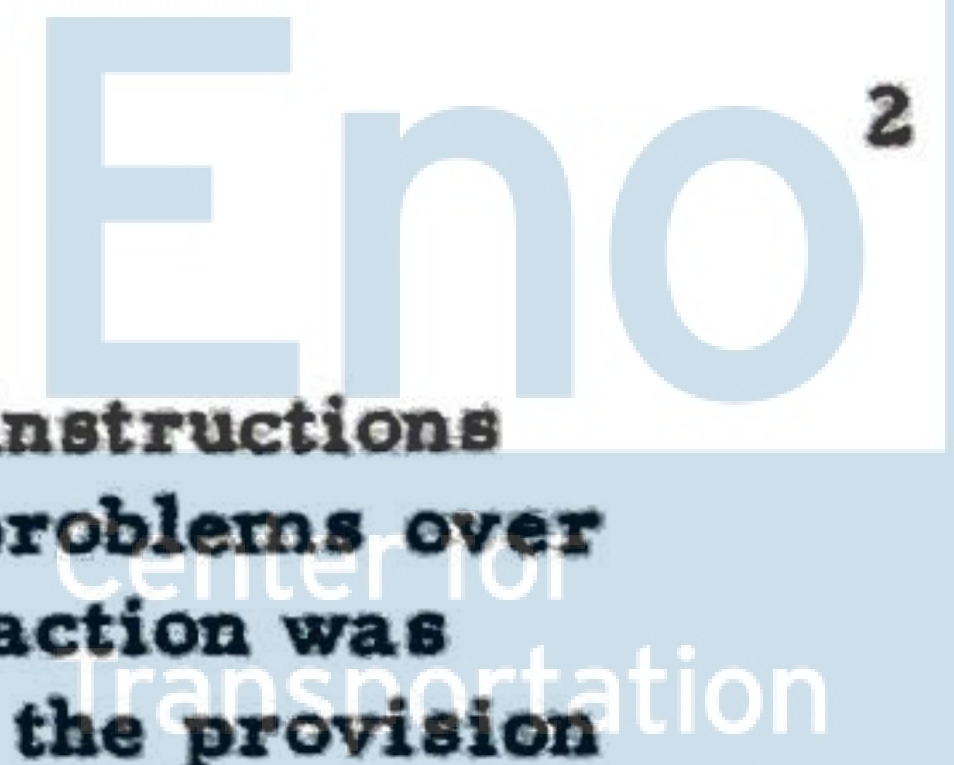
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on the Transportation Program as of
Thursday, February 17

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

A. Senate:

1. Bill will be handled by Government Operations Committee.
 - . There are 14 members
 - . 11 have been contacted
 - . 8 are for the bill (McClellan, Jackson, Gruening, Muskie, Ribicoff, R. Kennedy, Metcalf, Javits -- 7 Democrats, 1 Republican)
 - . 3 are non-committal (Ervin, Mundt, Curtis -- 2 Republicans, 1 Democrat)
 - . 3 not contacted (Harris, Montoya, Simpson -- 2 Democrats, 1 Republican)

2. The views of the Commerce Committee will be important
 - . There are 18 members
 - . 13 have been contacted
 - . 10 are for the bill (Magnuson, Pastore, Hart, Brewster, Lausche, Bartlett, McGee, Neuberger, Cotton, Morton -- 7 Democrats, 2 Republicans)
 - . 2 non-committal (Hartke, Bass -- both Democrats)
 - . 5 not contacted (Cannon, Scott, Prouty, Pearson, Dominick -- 1 Democrat, 4 Republicans)
 - . 1 against (Monroney)

3. Total Senate on DOT
 - . 18 for
 - . 1 against
 - . 5 non-committal
 - . 8 not contacted

B. House

1. Bill will be handled by Government Operations Committee
 - . There are 34 members
 - . 21 have been contacted
 - . 14 are for it (Dawson, Rosenthal, Gallagher, Roush, Monagan, Fascell, Moss, Jones, Hardy, Brooks, Holifield, Dow, Helstoski, Reid -- 13 Democrats and 1 Republican)
 - . 1 is against (Garmatz)
 - . 5 Undecided or leaning against (Fountain, Reuss, Moorhead, Randall, Wright, King -- all Democrats)
 - . 13 not contacted (Blatnik, MacDonald, St. Germain -- Democrats and 10 Republicans)

2. No one on House Commerce Committee or Merchant Marine Committee (except Garmatz) contacted.

3. Total House on DOT
 - . 14 for
 - . 1 against
 - . 5 undecided

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ICC CHAIRMAN

A. Senate

1. Bill will be handled by Government Operations Committee.

- . There are 14 members
- . 6 were contacted
- . 3 were pro (Jackson, Kennedy, Javits)
- . 3 undecided or leaning for (Curtis, Mundt, Ervin)
- . 8 not contacted (7 Democrats, 1 Republican)

2. Senate Commerce Committee also interested

- . There are 18 members
- . 11 were contacted
- . 7 were pro (Magnuson, Lausche, McGee, Neuberger, Pastore, Hart, Brewster)
- . 1 was against (Bass)
- . 3 were undecided (Bartlett, Monroney, Hartke)
- . 7 not contacted (1 Democrat (Cannon), 6 Republicans)

3. Total Senate on ICC Chairman

- . 10 pro
- . 6 undecided or leaning for
- . 1 against
- . 15 not contacted (8 Democrats, 7 Republicans)

B. House

1. Bill will be handled by Government Operations Committee

- . There are 34 members
- . 11 were contacted
- . 9 were pro (Hollifield, Brooks, Roush, Gallagher, Rosenthal, Helstoski, Moss, Moorhead, Reid -- 8 Democrats, 1 Republican)
- . 2 had no opinion (Monagan, Dow)
- . 23 not contacted (13 Democrats, 10 Republicans)

III

HIGHWAY SAFETY

A. Senate

1. Senate Public Works

- . 17 members
- . 8 were contacted
- . 6 were pro (Inouye, Gruening, Muskie, Young, Randolph, Murphy (R) -- 5 Democrats, 1 Republican)
- . 2 undecided (Moss Cooper)
- . 9 not contacted (6 Democrats, 3 Republicans)

2. Senate Commerce

- . 18 members
- . 4 contacted
- . 2 pro (Magnuson, Morton)
- . 1 against (Cotton - use of trust fund)
- . 1 undecided (Monroney)
- . 14 not contacted (10 Democrats, 4 Republicans)

3. Total Senate on Highway Safety

- . 12 contacted
- . 23 not contacted
- . 8 pro
- . 2 undecided
- . 1 against

B. House

1. House Public Works

- . 34 members
- . 19 contacted
- . 17 pro (Dyal, Howard, Sweeney, Schmidhauser, Kee McCarthy, Rivers (Ala.), Tuten, Henderson, Edmondson, Clark, Gray, Wright, Kluczynski, Jones, Dorn, Kunkel (R) -- 16 Democrats, 1 Republican)
- . 2 leaning against (Fallon, Cramer)
- . 15 not contacted (6 Democrats, 9 Republicans)

2. House Commerce

- . 32 members
- . 14 contacted
- . 8 pro (Friedel, Rogers (Fla.), Pickle, Rooney, Murphy, Ronan, Gilligan, Farnsley -- All Democrats)
- . 6 undecided or leaning against (Staggers, Rogers (Texas), Moss, Kornegay, Satterfield, Dingell)
- . 18 not contacted (11 Republicans, 7 Democrats)

3. Total House on Highway Safety

- . 33 Contacted
- . 25 Pro
- . 8 Undecided or leaning against
- . 33 Not Contacted

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

7:45 pm. Thursday
February 17, 1966

FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM Lee C. White and Joe Califano

By tomorrow night the Congressional contacts on the Transportation Department and Highway Safety Bill will have been virtually completed. As you know, so far the results are substantially favorable. (See attached reports.) In fact, there are developing in both the House and Senate some disputes over sponsorship and jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation and Highway Safety Bills. You have obviously taken on a popular item and everybody wants a piece of the action (particularly on highway safety).

Henry Ford's concern is directed at the early draft of the Highway Safety Bill and he will be much happier (though probably not entirely satisfied) with the current draft. Joe discussed this with him in some length this morning and he is sending someone from Detroit to see me tomorrow. Joe told Ford that we were planning to have a large group of representatives from the transportation industry to a briefing on the whole program once we fixed a date for the message. He was enthusiastic about that.

Yesterday at the meeting in the Cabinet Room you indicated that you wanted dates set so that we could have this kind of briefing and Congressional briefings. We think now is the time to set the date so we can go forward with invitations. For Maggie to introduce the bill personally (which he very much wants to do and make a speech at the same time) it would have to be either Wednesday, February 23 or Thursday, March 3. (Maggie leaves for a week-long trip to Stockholm on Wednesday evening, February 23.)

We would recommend next Wednesday, February 23. Even though that would put the White House mess briefing on February 22, most Senators will be in town (the Vietnam vote is on Monday) and a good part of the House will be here because the House begins on the tax bill, followed by the Vietnam supplementals, on Wednesday.

Approve February 23 message date either

See me

Approve March 3 message date _____

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