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November 3, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

CHUCK COLSON

FROM:

GORDON STRACHAN

SUBJECT:

Harris Poll

This analysis by Ken Khachigian of the Harris Poll and its possible slanting should probably be considered by you rather than Bob Haldeman at this point. Khachigian's argument is rather intriguing concerning the drop in the black support of the President by 75 percent.

You just may want to raise this the next time you meet with Lou Harris.

GS:lm


MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 2, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR H. R. HALDEMAN (per Strachan)

FROM: KENNETH L. KHACHIGIAN 

An interesting note on the Harris Poll of yesterday showing the President leading EMK by 45% to 38%. I believe the poll is suspect and that in reality the President's lead might be even higher over Teddy.

Harris has the Black vote going 3% for the President and 93% for Teddy. Because this sounded out of line, I checked back to a RN/EMK trial heat Harris took this last June. In that one the President led Teddy 44% to 36% and among Blacks it was RN - 13%, EMK - 71%.

How, in a period of three months could Teddy's support among Blacks jump thirty percent and the President's drop by 75%? My conclusion: Harris slanted the poll somewhat (note that his interpretation has EMK as the only Dem pulling up on RN while all others drop back). And the slanting probably took place not only in the Black precincts.

In any case, the data just struck me as interesting, and I feel that the true reading would have RN scoring as high over EMK as he does over Muskie.

November 1, 1971

Dear Carlos and Shahla:

It's been awhile since we have exchanged letters and I have news that shouldn't wait until Christmas - Kristine and I are now parents - a girl, Lauren Rose. Mother and daughter are doing very well. She arrived on her "due date" which was typical of the entire perfect experience.

As for other news - I am still working at the White House and enjoying it more every day. My job for the last eight months - working for Bob Haldeman, Chief of Staff, is incredibly exciting and satisfying.

Kristine has taken a leave of absence from the Legal Adviser's Office at the State Department. She hasn't decided when she may go back to work. She may teach law part-time at a law school here in Washington.

My parents are fine, they will be in Mexico for the holidays, but unfortunately we will not be able to join them. They send their best.

How is Rio? I thought you had arranged to stay in Caracas. What happened?

Is Gustabo still in New York? Did I hear that Ricardo recently married?

Shahla - how is your family? Did you get back to Persia for the Shah's party?

Let us hear from you.

Senor Carlos Cisneros  
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P.S. It is easiest to address letters to me:

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Washington, D.C. 20500  
USA

November 16, 1971

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: HARRY DENT  
FROM: GORDON STRACHAN  
SUBJECT: Nixon State Chairman

After Harry Flemming at the planning meeting reviewed the state chairmen that had been selected, you and I discussed the advantage of having your independent assessment of the choices. Have you had a chance to complete that review for the Attorney General yet?

GS:elr



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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Dent - read on St reaction  
to Flemming's choices  
- each Ann  
Flemming - bio's on NH delegation

November 12, 1971

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: JOHN DEAN  
FROM: GORDON STRACHAN  
SUBJECT: Memoranda to the Committee for the  
Re-Election of the President

In light of our discussion this week regarding whether memoranda from White House staff to the Committee for the Re-Election of the President should be on White House stationery, would you advise members of the staff, probably by telephone, that all materials to the Committee for the Re-Election of the President should not be on White House stationery.

GS:erl

November 24, 1971

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. EHRLICHMAN  
FROM: GORDON STRACHAN  
SUBJECT: Presidential Papers and Estate Plan

Richard Ritzel called with the list of questions you requested from John Alexander on Tuesday, November 23.

1. Are there to be any general legacies or specific bequests in either will?
2. It is considered vital by the husband that the family assets should all be placed in trust for the benefit of the wife if she survives?
3. If the answer is yes, then a study of the restructuring of ownership of all property, real and personal, as well as bank accounts, will have to be made since a major portion of the family assets are now in joint names and would not pass to any trust created under the will for the wife's benefit. (Comment: The reason this is such a problem is that John Dean gave us a \$250,000 evaluation for the memorabilia. We have been working with a \$1,000,000 figure. Any trust would require using some of the joint property because the \$250,000 is so low.)
3. After the death of both husband and wife, if any children survive, should family assets pass to surviving family or children outright or be placed in trust for the benefit of the children. If trusts for children are to be created, should they continue for life or terminate at a certain age (e.g. 35 or 40). Should a portion of principal be paid out to any child prior to the date of termination.

4. If no children survive, but more remote issue do, how long should trusts continue, that is, until 21 or until a later age.
5. If the issue survive is all property to go to public purposes or should collateral relations or friends be brought in?
6. Any special provisions for wife's will, e.g., items of jewelry to children?
7. How should insurance policies on husband's life owned by wife be disposed of if wife dies first? They should not revert to the husband, but perhaps should be left to the children or in trust for the children.
8. Who ought to be the executors for both wills?
9. If trusts are created for either wife or children should be the trustees.
10. Consideration should now be given as to who will act as literary trustees.
11. Is it of vital importance that husband have all rights with respect to papers during joint lives of husband and wife.
12. Should wife be precluded from receiving any papers even those of a non-sensitive nature?

Should you wish to discuss these questions with Mr. Ritzel, he will be at his residence from Thursday, November 25, until Sunday, November 28. The White House Switchboard and Signal have his home telephone number (201-444-1331).

GS:elr

November 30, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FOLLOW UP

FROM:

GORDON STRACHAN

Check on Monday, Dec. 6, for the statement by Peter Dailey regarding the advertising theme that is to be circulated among the Mid-Level Strategy Group for comments before submission to H and the AG.

GS:elr

November 26, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FOLLOW UP

FROM:

GORDON STRACHAN

Check with Tom Benham on Tuesday regarding the New Hampshire Poll 1968 and the open end question.

GS:elr

November 19, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW UP

FROM: GORDON STRACHAN

Check on Tuesday, November 16 regarding the Glaser project -  
and adviser Herb Kalmbach and Ken Smith.

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November 8, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW

FROM:

GORDON STRACHAN

SUBJECT:

H/AG

Check with Magruder on whether the Attorney General has met with Nofziger regarding Dole.

GS:lm



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November 8, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW-UP

FROM: GORDON STRACHAN  
SUBJECT: H/AG

Check on the status on Tuesday, November 16, of the political strategy group and the issue strategy group to be set up by Harry Dent and Jeb Magruder with me sitting in on all meetings. Make sure Bob Dole is included and that Magruder prepares project reports for submission to the President through Mr. Haldeman.

GS:lm

November 8, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW-UP

FROM: GORDON STRACHAN  
SUBJECT: H/AG

Check Magruder on Thursday, November 11th regarding the status of the action man to implement the Timmons recommendations on the Democratic Convention.

GS:lm

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November 8, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW-UP

FROM: GORDON STRACHAN  
SUBJECT: H/AG

Check EVERY FRIDAY, beginning November 12th, with Jeb Magruder for the weekly youth report that Rietz is to prepare for the Attorney General, a copy of which is to be submitted to Mr. Haldeman for the President.

GS:lm

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November 5, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW-UP

FROM:

GORDON STRACHAN

Check on November the 15th regarding Magruder's talk with Murray regarding Chapman.

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November 3, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW-UP

FROM: GORDON STRACHAN  
SUBJECT: November 9 Dinners

Check on November 10th with Tom Evans regarding the success of the events and determine whether or not Bob needs to be advised of any RNC deficit.

GS:lm

November 2, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR FOLLOW-UP

FROM:

GORDON STRACHAN

Check with Khachigian and Magruder on the status of the Muskie project -- cigar picture, gun picture, abortion issue, Kennedy--gun.

Follow-up on November 5, 1971.

GS:lm

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November 15, 1971

Dear Mr. Gillett:

Mr. Haldeman asked me to thank you for your letter of November 12 outlining your desires to contribute your services to the campaign.

I'm forwarding a copy of your letter to the Committee for the Re-Election of the President which, as the title states, is a group of citizens like yourself who have begun thinking and planning for the campaign.

You should be hearing from them in the near future. Thanks again for your offer of support.

Sincerely,

Gordon Strachan  
Staff Assistant  
to H. R. Haldeman

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