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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 29, 1972

MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT (Per HRH)

FROM: PATRICK J. BUCHANAN

McGovern's Deputy Campaign Manager, a friend from my Soviet trip, a level-headed fellow, called me today to say that McGovern will win in Wisconsin. He gave me the following polls:

MCGOVERN'S PRIVA	AFL-CIO QUAYLE POLL		
Humphrey	23	McGovern	24
McGovern,	19	Humphrey	18
Muskie	14	Muskie	15
Jackson	13	Jackson	13
Wallace	9	Wallace	10
Lindsay	4	Lindsay	1
Other	3	Undecided	19
Undecided	14		

My friend tells me that in the McGovern Poll, McGovern is carried much lower than normal -- since it does not include the Second District (Madison) where McGovern is conceded to be immensely strong, compared with the other Democrats. Further, he says that those polled were those who intended to vote in the Democratic Primary, including Republicans.

This is hard to believe. Seems to me, even if these figures are accurate, however, that George Wallace will pick up some of the undecided -- he surely did in Florida.

But the McGovern fellow contends that Muskie could come in fourth or even fifth in the race -- which would be a climactic disaster for Big Ed.

Again, if these figures are accurate -- McGovern would be greatly enhanced; the liberal press would fall all over him for the next two weeks. Humphrey would be set back. Muskie would sustain a near fatal blow. Big John Lindsay would be finished. The situation would be more confused than ever. The likelihood of a first ballot nomination for the Democrats would be increasingly remote. In short, if this is the outcome, it would seem that the pressures on Kennedy would be substantial to move.

Buchanan

NOTE: If we have some hard poll information, and this is a possibility, then we should have Republicans cross over and vote for George McGovern. Word should go forth today.

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January 3, 1972

MEMORANDUM TO:

H. R. HALDEMAN

CHUCK COLSON

FROM:

PAT BUCHANAN

Deputy Secretary of Defense Packard has, according to his own commitment, said he will give away some \$18 million earned by his firm, while he was in office here; any chance we can get together with him on how that money is spent, for "charitable" purposes. Paul Simpson, who runs that television project down in Nashville would like a slice of the cake. Can we get to Packard any way to indicate that Simpson's and perhaps some others are "worthwhile" causes.

Pat Buchanan