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# Presidential Materials Review Board

## Review on Contested Documents

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## THE WHITE HOUSE

#### WASHINGTON

April 15, 1974 1:00 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

GENERAL ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR.

RON ZIEGLER

VIA:

WILLIAM HENKEL, JR.

FROM:

RED CAVANEY

SUBJECT:

"MCSP 227"

Presidential visit to Michigan

April 10, 1974

This memo will recount facts as known to myself, John Guthrie and Terry O'Donnell concerning the President's visit to Michigan and the <u>Detroit News</u> story invoking John Guthrie's name and the use of a code word ''MCSP 227''.

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- 4. No indiscriminate distribution of tickets was undertaken.
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- 7. Mr. Ter Horst called Guthrie on Friday and John relayed the facts to him as stated above. It is John's opinion that there is no way Mr. Ter Horst could have misunderstood the facts, thus leading John to feel that the article was deliberately presented in a false light. None of the quotes in the attached article are attributable to John Guthrie.

cc: Jerry Warren
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