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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN  
FROM: JEB S. MAGRUDER

Evidentially, there has recently been some discussion regarding whether or not 1701 has been "raiding" the White House staff and/or offering salaries higher than those which are paid at the White House -- which is untrue -- our general rule is to pick up people at their present salary level.

In the event that you are asked about this alleged "raiding," I thought the following list of those White House employees who have come here since May might be of interest to you:

1. Rob Odle. Rob had worked with me in Klein's office, and as you know, both Colson and Klein agreed to his coming here.
2. Gene Roberts. Gene came to the White House as my secretary.
3. Bart Porter. Porter had worked briefly for Colson and Klein, and as you know, it was agreed by both that he might come here. There was the problem with his salary at the time he moved here, and that difficulty can be attributed to me.
4. Martha Duncan. Martha Duncan had served as Bart's secretary for some months.
5. Ken Smith. Ken had mentioned to Rob Odle several times that he desired to leave the Allin/Buchanan news summary staff, and intended to leave the White House regardless of whether or not he found a job here. He also wrote of his desire to join the staff here in a letter to the Attorney General. Both Pat Buchanan and Mort Allin strongly indorsed his coming here, and urged us to take him. Incidentally, since he has come, he has done a very outstanding job.

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