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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: DWIGHT L. CHAPIN

This morning I called Bill Killgallon once again. Prior to our China trip, I had discussed with him the prospects of his moving to Washington to handle the First Family Tour Desk (perhaps in conjunction with Bill Cubit). Killgallon had asked that I give him until after the China trip to think about it.

This morning when I talked to Bill he stated that he was going on vacation shortly in Georgia and would use that time to make his decision. He pointed out that Roger Barth (a good friend of Killgallon’s and as you know a friend of Julie’s) was going to be spending some time with him. Evidently, he wants to talk to Barth prior to making his decision.

I stated that perhaps after talking with Barth that he might have some questions which he would want to discuss with me since I was not sure that Barth would have all the answers that he was after. We then got into a discussion at Killgallon’s request as to how the office would be set up and who would be giving him his direction and how it would work.

This is only to alert you to a problem. Roger Barth is continuing to contact Killgallon on his own and acting as Julie’s agent in getting the tour desk for the First Family set up. I believe that I succeeded in undercutting to a certain degree Barth today. I should clarify that point by saying only by implication did I imply to Bill that Barth really did not know how it was going to be set up nor what was happening here.

To point up a problem, Barth is a very nice, pleasant guy and probably a good companion when travelling with Julie. However, we question very seriously
his capabilities in the advance field and especially in terms of cranking the most mileage out of a given event. When Barth advances for Julie and handles the arrangements, we get absolutely no press. Our guys are putting a major effort behind the publicity side, and it has been very successful.

To wrap up, Killgallon will call me in a week or so and let me have his answer. I think he is very intrigued with the idea of coming and has the campaign fever. The fact that his wife just had twin boys might deter him, but I would doubt if this would prevent his coming.