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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

AUGUST 25, 1969

TO: PETER FLANIGAN
CC: BRYCE HARLOW ✓
HARRY DENT ✓
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FROM: JOHN EHRLICHMAN ✓

The President has been talking with the Secretary of State about the position of Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations. He suggests that we seriously consider Tom Thawley for this position.

Thawley has, up to now, been interested in either Rimestad's position but apparently MacComber has a lock on this position.

It would be very useful if we could determine whether or not MacComber is in fact locked in. It may be that his relations with Rooney (Congressman) require his selection, but it is my recollection that Rooney is not keen on MacComber.

It may be that Thawley could still be placed in the running to replace Rimestad. He is a total Nixon loyalist as well as an able executive. I suggest that we all do what we can to place Thawley either in the Rimestad job as a first choice or in the Congressional liaison job as a second choice.

Rooney