

Labor 12/9

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

CHUCK COLSON

FROM:

FRED MALEK *FM*

SUBJECT:

Fletcher Vacancy at Labor

I have discussed the Fletcher vacancy with Jim Hodgson several times in the past week. At this point, he is more than willing to fill the post, and we are searching for a replacement. In fact, Hodgson is desirous of placing a woman in that slot, and we are working with him toward that end. Of course, if we cannot find an acceptable woman, we will also review male candidates to ensure that someone is placed.

I am hopeful that this can be wrapped up within a month. Let me know if you have any other thoughts or have any feelings - pro or con - on the idea of a woman.

*NO! NO! - She couldn't  
possibly handle the  
"Hard hats" - get a good  
tough Political Man -  
Please, please -  
*FM**