THE WHITE HOUSE
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MEMORANDUM FOR: JERRY WARREN
FROM: DAVE GERGEN
SUBJECT: Apology Letters to the "Enemies"

Several people who believe they were on an "enemies" list have interpreted the four recent letters of apology to mean that anyone who demands an apology from the President will get one. The result is that we have had a couple of fairly hard-nosed letters.

I am entirely in favor of sending out apology letters, but I wonder if it is not demeaning to send them out on demand.

As an alternative, I would think RN would be better off to send letters right now to everyone on the lists, whatever those lists may have been.

Since the letter writers are citing your press conference on the subject, I wonder if I could solicit your opinion.

Thanks.

cc: Roland Elliott