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To:

Craig Smith

From:

The Staff Secretary

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cc: Stephanie Streett

Chen,



PARRIS N. GLENDENING
GOVERNOR

Dear Nancy,

Could you please give the enclosed letter
to the President personally? Thank you.

Parris

Parris N. Glendening
P.O. Box 224
Riverdale, Maryland 20738-0224

August 15, 1997

The Honorable William J. Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your kind words about Maryland's success in our welfare reform efforts during your recent speech to the National Governor's Association. Although I regret that I was unable to join you in Las Vegas, I look forward to my next opportunity to see you.

As you can certainly understand, Lieutenant Governor Kathleen Kennedy-Town send and I are gearing up for our re-election in 1998. Since we have not yet heard a response from your office, we would like to re-extend to you our invitation of June 6, 1997, to join us at an event in Baltimore this October.

Your support for this event would be invaluable to me and would mean a great deal to me personally. Tim Phillips of my campaign staff will be following up with your staff to find a mutually convenient date and time for this event. In the meantime, you have my thanks for your continued assistance.

Sincerely,



Paris N. Glendening
Governor

The Cullinane Group, Inc.

Investors in High Technology Ventures

John J. Cullinane
President

TELEFAX

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TO: Nancy Hernreich
Office of The Honorable William J. Clinton

FROM: Martha Burnham
Assistant to John J. Cullinane

DATE: August 20, 1997

The attached letter is for President Clinton from Diddy Cullinane, President of Black & White Boston Coming Together, Inc. They would be very honored to include a quote from President Clinton in their Program Book for the Black & White on Green Golf Tournament.

Thank you for your assistance.

Jim -

Message appropriate?

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Phil



Black & White on Green Golf Tournament

Diddy Cullinane
President

Jeff Bellows
Director

E. Jerry Skinner, IV
Administrative Assistant

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The Hon. Thomas M. Menino
Mayor of the City of Boston

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Robert M. Mahoney
President & CEO
Citizens Bank

Eric M. Turner
Senior Vice President
State Street Bank

August 20, 1997

The Hon. William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton:

I was pleased to have a chance to meet you once again and was appreciative of your very positive response after reading about our program, Black & White Boston Coming Together.

In connection with our September 9, 1997 Black & White On Green Golf Tournament, our Program Book includes quotes from such people as Mayor Thomas M. Menino, Senators Edward Kennedy and John Kerry, Prof. Henry Louis Gates Jr., Rev. J. Donald Monan, Rev. Charles R. Stith, among others. We would be very honored to include a brief quote from you as well.

Thank you very much!

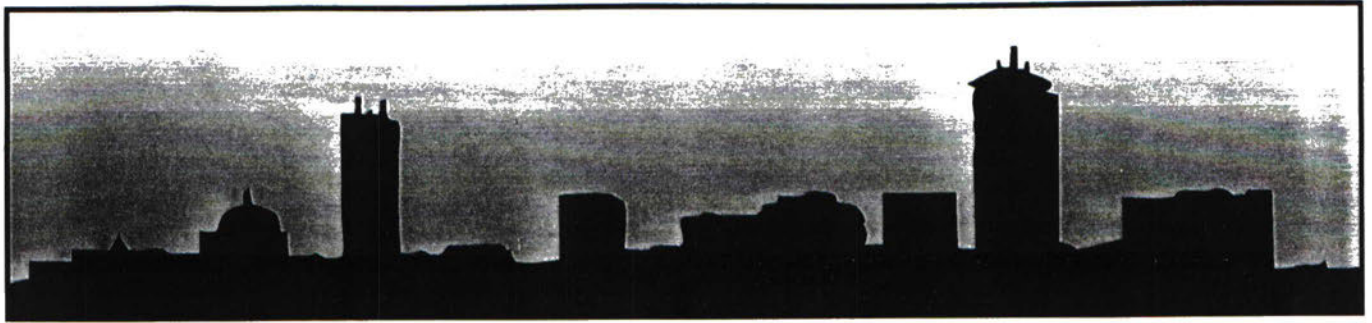
Sincerely,

Diddy Cullinane

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Black and White Boston Coming Together

Black & White Boston Coming Together was created in the Fall of 1989 in connection with a benefit performance by Bill Cosby at Boston's Wang Center for the Performing Arts. It was a deliberate attempt to bring together a cross-section of business and professional people, black and white, in a social setting seldom achieved elsewhere. So well did it succeed that it has developed over the years into a well-known and respected vehicle for positive racial interaction on many levels. Some of its most significant activities include:

The Annual Cocktail Reception/Dinner Dance at the John F. Kennedy Library: Sold out in 1997, this gala event is a unique gathering of a leadership group of business and professional men and women, black and white, for an elegant evening of dinner and dancing.

The Annual Black & White on Green Golf Tournament: Held at the newly restored, inner-city golf course at Franklin Park and sold out in 1996. Now in its fifth year, the 1997 Tournament will feature greater Boston CEO's "hosting" foursomes of Boston's business and professional leaders, men and women, both black and white, for a day of camaraderie, networking and golf.

Caddie Scholar Program: Developed in collaboration with the City of Boston Parks Department and funded by Black & White on Green, this unique inner-city Youth Golf Program features caddie and golf instruction, summer jobs, academic mentoring and eligibility for participation in the fifty-year old Ouimet Fund Scholarship Program. Based on the success of the pilot project in 1996, the number of students involved will be doubled for the summer of 1997. For the first time this year, the Caddie Scholar Program is officially honored as a USGA recognized charity.

Black & White Business Breakfast Series: Created as an extension of the Black & White on Green Golf Tournament, these monthly meetings provide an opportunity for ongoing dialogue between the races and a forum for a lively and honest exchange of ideas rarely achieved. Among the many participants were Mayor Thomas M. Menino, Academic and Social Service professionals, CEO's and business men and women, black and white. It was here that the Business Profile Award was developed.

Black & White Business Profile Award: This award was created to celebrate what is positive in the city's economic environment. Awards were presented to six companies at the Annual Dinner focusing on organizations who have maintained a presence in the inner-city while developing a profitable business enterprise. Criteria for these awards were established at the Black & White Business Breakfast Series. The visibility provided to these inner-city companies, most of whom are black owned and run, has already generated increased business for all involved.

The Annual Dinner, Golf Tournament and the Business Breakfast Series are each co-chaired by well-known and respected business and professional leaders, black and white. Black & White Boston Coming Together has proven to be not only an important network within itself, but a unique collaborative effort that demonstrates the good will that does exist between the races and provides a vehicle for capitalizing on that good will.

Judy Gordon

August 12, 1997

President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C 20050

Dear Mr. President,

Greetings in this beautiful August. I send you my love and prayers for your success and health. I particularly want to congratulate you on the NATO meetings in Europe, the speeches in Poland and the Czech Republic, your eloquent words about Chief Justice Brennan the other day, as well as the new budget agreements. I also want to say it is with great joy, pride, gratitude and wonder that I see all you have been able to accomplish. Thank you. We are fortunate to have you in our lives, in the White House, working and moving in our behalf. God has blessed all of us.

I enclose an OP-ED article which I am submitting to **The New York Times**. I know you are aware of all the things I mention in the letter, but I want to share this urgency with those who may not realize how little we need anti-personnel landmines in the world. As you know, I am a Special Representative for the Arts for UNICEF, and in that capacity am returning to Bosnia in September to observe the UNICEF programs, particularly in the area of landmine awareness. In Mostar, where the children drew the pictures I brought to you and the First Lady, as well as in Dubrovnik and Sarajevo, I will visit children and see UNICEF at work.

To Jim Dorskind
for RPY

Coord with ASK

In thinking about my return trip to the former Yugoslavia, I cannot help thinking about my own past, as well as yours. We both marched and protested and spoke out for an end to the Vietnam War. Mr. President, you were one of thousands, perhaps millions, of your generation who made a choice that finally, after eleven bitter years, helped to bring to an end our wrong-headed and disastrous venture in Southeast Asia. You had the courage to do what President Johnson and President Nixon did not do, what MacNamara did not do. What Westmoreland would not do. You had the courage to stand up for what was right, to say "no" to a war to which the wrong people, in the wrong places, were saying "yes." You did the right thing. Be proud of it. We are.

Somehow this anti-personnel issue brings up the same issues for me as the Vietnam War did. I personally feel the policy of continuing to manufacture anti-personnel mines is a continuation of the thinking that brought us to Vietnam. We have to think about the devastation, not only in human life, but in the ecology in the sixty eight countries where landmines are a threat. It is impossible for many of the communities affected by anti-personnel mines lodged in the

Judy Collins

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ground, awaiting the innocent, unwary man,
woman, and child, to have a normal economy.
110 million anti-personnel landmines wait to
destroy, and millions more have destroyed already.
When agriculture is affected, business as usual is
not possible. As the Vietnam Veterans have said,
"Landmines don't win wars...they just destroy
lives."

This is something close to my heart, and I know,
close to yours.

Louis joins me in sending love,

Judy Collins

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On the 29th of July 1997, in *The New York Times*, I'm sure you read, as I did, an extraordinary article written by Philip Shenon, "U.S.-Made Land Mines Killed Many Americans in Vietnam." In the same issue of the *New York Times*, an advertisement placed by the Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation stated "Landmines Caused More U.S. Casualties in Vietnam Than Any Other Weapon." "Nine out of ten landmines used by the enemy in that war were scavenged or recycled US mines."

Over the past few years, I have made trips to Bosnia and to Vietnam as a Special Representative for UNICEF, and in these travels have come to share the Vietnam Veterans' support for a total ban on all anti-personnel landmines. It was in Bosnia that I first came to understand the devastation of these terrible weapons. There are at least three million mines in the Former Yugoslavia. I saw amputees and heard horror stories of mutilation and death; witnessed seven and eight year old children being taught how to identify anti-personnel landmines and to alert authorities so that mines could be destroyed. On this same trip I saw the power of art, watching children draw in the trauma rehabilitation art classes organized by UNICEF.

Bombs, terror, fire, machine guns, refugees and the reality of landmines filled the pictures these children drew, for these are the things that make up their lives. You may recall I presented you and the First lady with a group of drawings done by children in Mostar. For these children, childhood is over. No picnics in the woods. No running in the fields. For many of them, a trip out of doors is a potential trip to hell on Earth.

On the first of September 1997, I will go once again to Bosnia on behalf of UNICEF. Today, there are more mines in the world than there were on my first tour--an estimated 110 million scattered throughout sixty seven countries in the world, dug in the ground, waiting to create amputees and widows, orphans and widowers, misery and fear when the unwary stumble upon them. An estimated 26,000 people will be killed or injured by landmines this year, and every half hour, someone somewhere is injured or killed by a landmine. Every day the number of landmines grows.

The use of anti-personnel mines is a devastating and murderous practice. It will continue to wreak havoc on the land and the lives of millions of people around the world long after landmine manufacture comes to an end because it is so difficult to remove the mines that are already in place.

You can buy a brand new landmine for as little as \$3, and for a buck you can buy one used. Ironically, it costs over \$1,000 to remove a landmine. It is estimated that to clear the world of these devastating landmines it would cost upwards of 33 billion dollars. We must find technological solutions to landmine removal.

Anti-personnel landmines not only cause death, mutilation and amputation. They also devastate entire communities. In Vietnam, people struggle to harvest and reclaim acres riddled with the tons of mines dropped during the war and to shield their children from amputation and death. In Cambodia, as you know, few crops are harvested in many parts of the country because of the mines. The mines in Afghanistan have destroyed nearly the entire ecology. Life as it was has become compromised and often impossible in sixty seven countries, nearly one third of the planet.

The Pentagon has a "Humanitarian Unit" working on mine clearance. The Armed Forces is also working with Warner Brothers (a small miracle) on a Superman Comic project. The Pentagon and the United Nations has determined that using a recognizable character such as Superman is very helpful in reaching children and teaching them the danger of mines. This program has been very successful in Bosnia and similar Superman Comics projects are under way for Central America as well as Africa, where there are also millions of mines. Even the Pentagon recognizes this devastating problem. Landmines have no conscience. To a landmine, everyone is the enemy.

The limited policy you announced last May, although a step in the right direction, went only part of the way, banning certain mines about leaving many more free for use. This action leaves the door open for the world community at-large to single out their favorite landmine to be an exception to the limited ban. There should be no gaps, no exception to the total ban of landmines. The proposed Leahy-Hagel bill would ban the use of all anti-personnel landmines, no matter what type. I urge you to support this bill.

In December, over one hundred countries comprising the Ottawa Process will meet in Ottawa, Canada to sign a world-wide ban on anti-personnel landmines. Let us be sure the United States is there, in our true position, as leaders of humanitarian efforts.

As the Vietnam Veterans have said, "Landmines don't win wars...They just destroy lives." We must turn to you, our Commander in Chief, for leadership. Mr. President, please support a total ban on anti-personnel landmines.