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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT'S FILE

Subject: Meeting in the President's Office with James Rademacher, President of National Association of Letter Carriers.

The President met today with James Rademacher, President of National Association of Letter Carriers. Prior to the meeting with Rademacher, Cashen, Ehrlichman and I briefed the President on the agreement that had been reached with Rademacher for a compromise postal reform pay package. The President expressed his appreciation to Rademacher for the work that he had done with Henry Cashen and myself. They discussed postal service problems and generally discussed Rademacher's background. The President expressed his pleasure in the agreement that had been reached. They discussed only generally the provisions of the bill. The President did say to Rademacher that he believed that Federal employees should be well paid. He said that he would make no commitment with respect to comparability other than at such time as comparability was granted to other Federal employees, it would include postal employees. They would not be left out. But the President said the two issues were separate. This was consistent with the briefing that we had given him. At the conclusion of the meeting the President said that when the issue was finally settled and the bill passed, he hoped that there would be some background publicity given to the way in which it was worked out and how the agreement was reached between the Administration and Jim Rademacher.

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