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N1	Memo	Thurman to Sloan (1p.) Re: Baroni	7/15/70	C
N2	Memo	Bell to Nelson (1p.) Re: Possible meeting w/ Monsignor Baroni [copy appears later]	7/15/70	C

FILE GROUP TITLE

Charles Nelson

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FOLDER TITLE

Monsignor Baroni/USCC Group Mtg. with President 8/17/70 10am

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August 4, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR DWIGHT CHAPIN

With reference to our exchange of memos regarding Father Baroni, it is Len Garment's and my recommendation that Baroni be invited in as soon as you have a scheduling opportunity. The purpose of the meeting would be to discuss the work of Baroni's Task Force on Urban Problems. We would also advertise that there would be a discussion of Rosow's Blue Collar Report prepared by the Administration. The two deal with exactly the same subject.

Since Baroni is only the Director of Program Development for the Task Force on Urban Problems of the U.S. Catholic Conference, it would be a snub to have him in alone. He is, in short, too far down the line and it would be obvious that we were inviting him in because of his potential political value to us, which would very much offend some of the senior officers of the Catholic Conference. Our thought is, therefore, to invite in with him all those who have positions in the U.S. Catholic Conference hierarchy logically involved in the same subject matter. This would start with Bishop Bernardin, who is General Secretary; Monsignor Higgins, Director of the Department of Urban Life; John Cosgrove, a layman, who is Director of the Division of Social Development; Reverend P. David Finks, a black priest, who is Director of Communications and Information; Reverend Charles Burns, who is Director of Administration; and Monsignor Baroni. Finks and Burns are not mandatory.

Could you please advise us on timing and Len and I will put together a briefing paper.

Charles W. Colson

Berani had worked a long time in DC.
Came in Danaher still 8 mo ago -
began to see problem of ethnic w-a-s
the blacks. Now setting up comm. doc. position
papers. Not activist.

Some doubt as to whether ~~as~~ this
is the time.

CHAPIN

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Mons. Donohue
US Catholic Conf
659-6652

July 20, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR DWIGHT CHAPIN

SUBJECT: Father Geno Baroni

In accordance with the attached, I would not recommend a meeting with Baroni and the President at this time.

We will invite Baroni in for a staff discussion and if it appears, following that, that it would be desirable to arrange a Presidential meeting we will recommend it.

Charles W. Colson

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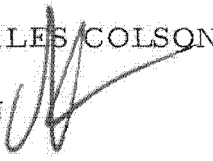
MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: CHARLES COLSON

FROM: DWIGHT L. CHAPIN 

RE: Father Geno Baroni

Attached you will find a memorandum which Len Garment has sent to Mr. Haldeman regarding Father Baroni. By coincidence, Len has met with Father Baroni and has, as you will see enclosed, a letter to the President from the Father.

I know that you are staffing out the possibility of the President's meeting with Baroni sometime soon.

Will you please get together with Len Garment just as soon as possible and come in with a join proposal regarding the President's meeting with the Father and precise recommendations which the two of you have.

Thank you.

cc: Len Garment

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 17, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR H. R. HALDEMAN

FROM: LEONARD GARMENT

The President indicated to Peter Flanigan on July 13 that he wanted to see Father Geno Baroni who heads up the U. S. Catholic Conference Task Force on Urban Problems. You may have seen some of the press comment about Baroni and his activities in the area of ethnic problems, particularly as they relate to the blue collar class and the need for greater Federal attention to the needs and concerns of this group.

Coincidentally, about two weeks ago I met with Baroni at the suggestion of Bill Gavin. Baroni is an interesting, feisty, "working-class" priest, with a strong organizational flair, and many interesting ideas for collaborative projects between ethnic working-class groups and the Federal Government. His thinking includes, but goes beyond the "Blue Collar" report prepared by George Shultz's group.

Subsequent to this meeting and some further telephone calls, Baroni delivered to me a letter for the President which is attached. Also attached are some additional descriptive proposals of his group, and a recent article about Baroni which appeared in the Washington Post.

In view of the President's comment to Peter, I am drawing this directly to your attention. Do you want to arrange a meeting? Baroni, of course, is anxious to meet with the President. I think it would be useful.

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

WHITE HOUSE
SITUATION ROOM

July 25, 1970

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHUCK COLSON

FROM: Dwight L. Chapin *DL*

RE: Baroni

Where do we stand on Monsignor Baroni at the present time?

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 8, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CHUCK COLSON

FROM: Dwight L. Chapin.

Monsignor Gino C. Baroni is an organizer of the United States Catholic Conference. It has been suggested that he be brought in to see the President with two or three of his friends to discuss how the Administration could help with the many Catholic ethnic groups in this country who have been neglected.

Could I have your recommendations on this appointment and also the names of the three people whom the Monsignor should bring in with him?

Thank you.

CC: Mr. Flanigan
Mr. Sloan

*Check the guy out
Bishop McManus, Chicago*

*Who - what up to - following
- good occasion*

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THE WHITE HOUSE

ACTION MEMORANDUM

WASHINGTON

LOG NO.: P496

Date: Monday, July 13, 1970

Time: 6:00 p.m.

FOR ACTION: C. Colson

cc (for information):

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: Friday, July 17, 1970

Time: 2:00 p.m.

SUBJECT:

Request that you submit a report on Monsignor Baroni.

ACTION REQUESTED:

☒ For Necessary Action

☐ For Your Recommendations

☐ Prepare Agenda and Brief

☐ Draft Reply

☐ For Your Comments

☐ Draft Remarks

REMARKS:

PLEASE ATTACH THIS COPY TO MATERIAL SUBMITTED.

If you have any questions or if you anticipate a delay in submitting the required material, please telephone the Staff Secretary immediately.

JRB
John R. Brown III
Staff Secretary

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By M/S NARS, Date 9/24/80

July 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. COLSON

Would you check out Monsignor Baroni and see whether the President should see him. Find out if he is a friend of Father Cronin's and get a good analysis on whether the guy is winnable to our side, or at least reasonable that it would be productive, from the President's viewpoint to meet with him. Give me a pretty good analysis of this, if you would. If the President does meet with him he should have a very good briefing on Baroni's activities and programs first.

You might want to talk with Kevin Phillips and Pat Buchanan on this.



H. R. HALDEMAN

CC: Mr. Chapin

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