

Memo from

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To: Hon. Pete McCloskey

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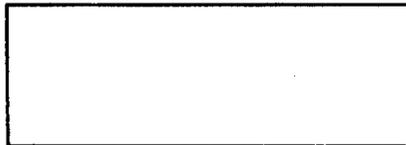
(A sobering, still glorious day)

I assumed you would have cancelled your engagements here for today. Please let me know if there are any later convenient opportunities.

Thank you for the GAO material.

I suspect that the President may be asking you for suggestions along the lines of a policy of national reconciliation. If you have the opportunity to communicate this, I think he might well consider the reinstatement of the Office of the Science Adviser in some meaningful form. I would not be chagrined to see this in OMB, headed by another Deputy Director, rather than as an independent office of purported (and never really) equal status. There are other viable approaches. Nor is this a Rad-Lib plot: for example, ask Pat Haggerty (President of Texas Instruments) what he thinks of it, and also for nominations. Such a step would not be very costly in any dimension, and could go a long way to recruit a large segment of the academic community into a sense of faith in Mr. Ford's intentions about seeking advice from a broad base of knowledgeable people -- a line that his predecessor rejected to the pain of all of us.

Yours,



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