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Subject: ROCKEFELLER, NELSON

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

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Sincerely,

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David M. Hardy  
Section Chief,  
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Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)



## **EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS**

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- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
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Judge MANSFIELD stated he could only recommend and does recommend nominee in the highest terms for the office of Vice Presidency of the United States.

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Federal Judge J. EDWARD LUMBARD, [redacted] [redacted] Fairfield, Connecticut, retired Senior Judge of the United States Second Circuit Court of Appeals, informed on August 23, 1974, he has known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER approximately 15 to 18 years, and has been in frequent contact with him during this period. He described Mr. ROCKEFELLER as a man of the highest integrity. He praised Mr. ROCKEFELLER as a man who is very knowledgeable in the activities of both Government and politics. He said ROCKEFELLER's widely known career in the field of Government, civil organizations, and state and national politics attest to his proven ability as a competent executive and a national leader. He characterized him as a strong and determined leader.

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Judge LUMBARD informed that during the years he has known Mr. ROCKEFELLER he observed him to be a man of genuine character and excellent reputation. He asserted that he has never known of nor heard of any information of an adverse or derogatory nature concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER. He stated that he has never known Mr. ROCKEFELLER to have any character weaknesses which might disqualify him for the office of Vice President of the United States. Judge LUMBARD continued by praising Mr. ROCKEFELLER as being fully qualified to be Vice President and completely qualified to assume the Presidency of the United States in the event it ever becomes necessary. He asserted that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's personal and physical fitness are definite attributes in his ability to perform his duties and that he would definitely recommend him without reservation.

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Honorable ROBERT P. ANDERSON, Judge, United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, New York, New York, was interviewed at his residence, [REDACTED], Mystic, Connecticut. Judge ANDERSON advised that he had met Governor ROCKEFELLER on three or four occasions during the period 1961 to 1968 when he had met with the Governors of New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut in conjunction with a railroad appeal being heard before him.

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He stated that he always found Governor ROCKEFELLER agreeable to work with and he believes that it is obvious, as evidenced by Governor ROCKEFELLER's public record, that he is a man of considerable competence. He noted that he does not know Governor ROCKEFELLER on a social basis. He said that, on the basis of his limited personal contact with Governor ROCKEFELLER and on the basis of his knowledge of Governor ROCKEFELLER's background and reputation, he has no reservations concerning him and considers his nomination by the President of the United States as a very good one. He reiterated that he knows of nothing that he would consider to be detrimental to this nomination.

Honorable LEONARD P. MOORE, Judge, United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, New York, New York, was interviewed at his summer residence, [REDACTED], Mystic, Connecticut. Judge MOORE advised that he has never met Governor ROCKEFELLER and has never conducted any business with him. He noted that he is, of course, familiar with Governor ROCKEFELLER's public record and has a very high regard for both Governor ROCKEFELLER and his public record. He said that when he learned that Governor ROCKEFELLER had been nominated to become Vice President of the United States, he was gratified and had thought of Governor ROCKEFELLER as being "at the head of the list"

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for such a nomination. He said he knew of nothing which might be considered detrimental to this nomination.

Honorable J. JOSEPH SMITH, Judge, United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, New York, New York, was interviewed at his summer residence, [REDACTED], Black Point Beach Club, Niantic, Connecticut. Judge SMITH advised that he has never met Governor ROCKEFELLER and has never conducted any business personally with him. He noted that he is familiar with Governor ROCKEFELLER's public record and has considerable respect for the nominee and his record. He said he considers the nomination of Governor ROCKEFELLER as Vice President of the United States to be a good nomination and he has no reservations with respect to this nomination. He said he knows of nothing which might be considered detrimental to the nomination.

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PERSONAL ACQUAINTANCE:

On August 23, 1974, Mrs. [redacted], Stamford, Connecticut, stated she has known nominee since the early 1950's when [redacted] became interested in nominee's political career. Mr. [redacted] felt strongly that nominee had a sincere interest in the black man and a genuine desire to help elevate his social and economic status. They also had a close personal rapport. As a result, Mr. [redacted] was active in the campaigns of nominee when he ran for Governor of New York. During one term of office, nominee appointed Mr. [redacted] to head the Office of Community Affairs for New York State.

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Out of this relationship grew a deep personal and lasting friendship with nominee and his wife, HAPPY ROCKEFELLER. They visited socially in each other's homes and the [redacted] also visited the ROCKEFELLER ranch in Wyoming often.

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Mrs. [redacted] holds nominee in the highest regard both as an individual and as an extremely gifted and dedicated public servant. He is an outstanding administrator and effective in conciliation and one acutely interested in justice and its impartial administration. She possesses absolutely no derogatory information concerning either nominee's personal or political life, stating his accomplishments both in the state and the nation are his most persuasive endorsements. She knows of no one with a stronger belief in democratic constitutional government nor does she know of one more qualified or capable of assuming the office to which nominee has been nominated. She recommended him without reservation.

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NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Nominee's business acquaintances at Cincinnati and Dayton, Ohio, offer most favorable recommendation for nominee.

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On August 26, 1974, Mr. HOWARD J. MORGENS, Chairman of the Board, Procter and Gamble Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised that he has been acquainted with the nominee since approximately 1963, and had somewhat limited business and social contacts with the nominee. Mr. MORGENS advised that he first became acquainted with the nominee due to an invitation being extended to the nominee to be a guest speaker at a fund raising campaign in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. MORGENS advised that due to his limited social and

business contacts with the nominee, he would not be able to furnish any specific details regarding nominee's background. He said, however, that his impression of the nominee is very favorable. He stated that the nominee had been an excellent Governor for the State of New York and feels that he had served in this capacity in an extremely capable manner. Mr. MORGENS advised that the nominee is a person who is "top-notch" regarding political affairs, that he is a person who knows his job well and the people around him, and is a person of much political talent. Mr. MORGENS advised that the nominee is a person whose skills in political endeavors are highly developed, that his general knowledge of political and business matters is unlimited, and feels that he is highly experienced and extremely well-qualified to assume the great responsibility for which he is being considered. Mr. MORGENS advised that he feels the nominee is a person of the utmost character, a person of unquestionable reputation, and associates, and feels that he is a most dedicated and loyal citizen of the United States. Mr. MORGENS concluded by stating that in view of the above, and in the absence of any derogatory information known regarding the nominee, he would therefore, offer ROCKEFELLER his highest recommendation.

On August 26, 1974, Mr. RALPH J. LAZARUS, Chairman of the Board, Federal Department Stores, Incorporated, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised that he had become acquainted with the nominee due to the fact that he had previously served as part of a campaign committee member of an election primary during 1968, and had served as a co-chairman in this capacity. Mr. LAZARUS advised that he does in fact, know the nominee personally, however, he rarely has had an opportunity to come in contact with the nominee on a social basis. Mr. LAZARUS advised that he also became acquainted with the nominee due to the fact that he has worked closely with the nominee's brother, Mr. DAVID ROCKEFELLER, who is presently the director of the Chase Manhattan Bank in New York. Mr. LAZARUS commented that he feels the nominee is very highly qualified to assume the position for which he is being considered, stating that he feels that the nominee is a most honorable person. Mr. LAZARUS also advised that he feels that the nominee is a

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very open-minded person who can accept much criticism and is also a person who goes about his job with an objective point of view. He also stated that even though he knows the nominee on a limited social basis, he would vouch for the nominee's social habits and, in addition, stated that he feels the nominee is a person of the highest caliber in regard to his general character, reputation, loyalty to the United States, as well as his associates. Mr. LAZARUS advised that he feels the nominee is a person of sound principles who is very emotionally stable and one who possesses the necessary confidence to assume the position for which he is being considered. On this basis, Mr. LAZARUS offered the nominee his highest recommendation for a position with the United States Government.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA BERNARD D. MALONEY on August 26, 1974, at Dayton, Ohio:

MR. ROBERT S. OELMAN, Chairman, Executive Committee and Director of the Board, National Cash Register Company, advised he has been acquainted with nominee since about 1928 or 1929, when both attended Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire. He mentioned nominee was a 1930 graduate and he, OELMAN, graduated from this college in 1931. He said in the past, he has visited the nominee in his home in New York City. He considers himself a friend of nominee, and mentioned their friendship stems from their college days. He said in 1968, he had been the Chairman of the Rockefeller for President Committee, State of Ohio. He paid him 100% support, without any reservation or qualification. He knows nothing of any derogatory nature concerning the nominee.

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Synopsis:

Member and former member of President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and business leader comment favorably and highly recommend.

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DETAILS:MEMBER AND FORMER MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENT'S  
FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD (PFIAB)

On August 23, 1974, Dr. JOHN S. FOSTER, JR., Vice President, Energy Research and Development, TRW Systems, One Space Park Boulevard, Redondo Beach, California, advised SA [redacted] he first met the nominee in 1960 or 1961 when it had been requested that he discuss some weapons with him and he obtained permission from President JOHN F. KENNEDY's staff to do this. Since then he and the nominee have had professional contact. For over a year FOSTER has been a member of PFIAB and has met with him on this basis. FOSTER stated that he has no reservations concerning the nominee. He does not know the nominee's personal life although he has met some of his family and has had dinner with him on occasion. Professionally FOSTER knows of no one more dedicated than the nominee. He is determined to make the best contribution he can for the country. The nominee is intensely interested in going full range and

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seeking out a full range of opinions on different subjects and deliberately looking for those having views contrary to his. The nominee tries to understand the reason for these views and is a very humane person in the sense that he tries to understand motives. The nominee's public life speaks for itself in the offices he has held for 15 years and always "come out clean". The associates of the nominee with whom FOSTER is acquainted are all professional and high caliber persons. The nominee is an absolutely loyal American. FOSTER possesses no unfavorable information concerning him and is delighted to have the opportunity to recommend him for Vice President of the United States.

On August 26, 1974, Dr. FRANKLIN D. MURPHY, Chairman of the Board, Times Mirror Company, Times Mirror Square, Los Angeles, California, advised SA [ ] he first met the nominee in the early 1960's as a Presidential candidate in the California Presidential primaries. Dr. MURPHY served on PFIAB from March 1969 until the spring of 1973 and was associated with the nominee in this capacity. He knows the nominee both professionally and socially. After meetings of PFIAB, MURPHY would fly to New York and on several occasions he and Mrs. MURPHY had dinner with the nominee and Mrs. ROCKEFELLER in both New York and Washington, D. C.

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Dr. MURPHY described the nominee as a man of great integrity who is forthright. The nominee is a good friend, and a loyal person who is highly intelligent, and who possesses tremendous energy. MURPHY said he is unable to identify any flaws which the nominee has as a human being. He stated that in the context of the nominee's service with PFIAB, the most impressive thing was the nominee's absolute forthrightness. He said one always knew where the nominee stood on any issue.

Dr. MURPHY went on to say the nominee is of the highest character and an absolutely loyal American who enjoys an excellent reputation. The nominee is always the "height of sobriety". MURPHY likewise has great respect for the nominee's wife, HAPPY, who is a forthright



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and charming person. The nominee's associates are all high caliber individuals and he surrounds himself with "first rate people". MURPHY is acquainted with the nominee's brother, DAVID, for whom he has enormous respect.

Dr. MURPHY said it is the great tragedy of modern American history that the nominee has never been President. He said that from every point of view the nominee is qualified for the position of Vice President and he offers his highest recommendation.

#### BUSINESS LEADER

On August 26, 1974, JUSTIN W. DART, Chairman of the Board and President, Dart Industries, Incorporated, 8480 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, advised SA [ ] he first knew the nominee about 20 years ago when he, DART, served on the Rockefeller Brothers Planning Foundation which he said, exclusive of himself, was composed of many prominent individuals including former Secretary of State DEAN RUSK. DART was appointed Finance Chairman in one of nominee's Presidential primary campaigns in California.

The nominee does things proficiently. His background is such that he was brought up to be careful with money and in all matters. The nominee is of highest morals. DART highly recommends the nominee and stated "the country would be lucky to get him". The nominee is a student of Government and the Rockefeller Planning Foundation did a study of the reappraisal of the whole governmental system. The nominee has very much of an inquiring mind and has his own staff of highly qualified intellectuals which is where Secretary of State HENRY KISSINGER got his start. There was some controversy about nominee's divorce, but his wife, HAPPY, is a very charming woman and an asset to him. DART likewise has a high regard for the nominee's brothers, LAURANCE and DAVID with whom he is acquainted.

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Mr. DART formerly wrote a letter to the President recommending Governor RONALD REAGAN as his choice for Vice President, but he stated there is no one who could fault the choice of NELSON ROCKEFELLER and he highly recommends.



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Enclosed for the Bureau are the following newspaper articles concerning nominee:

One article from the "Buffalo Evening News, concerning nominee's ownership of property in Venezuela;

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Eight articles from the "Buffalo Evening News", three articles from the "Buffalo Courier Express" and two articles from the Rochester "Times Union", concerning nominee's handling of the prison rebellion at Attica Correctional Facility, Attica, New York in September, 1971;

One article from the Rochester "Times Union" concerning nominee's campaign contributions;

One article from the Rochester "Times Union" concerning nominee's campaign spending;

One article from the Rochester "Times Union" concerning nominee's awarding of New York State contracts to a computer firm.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The investigative period of this report is extended to reflect the interview of [redacted] on March 26, 1969, by the Buffalo Division, conducted during a previous background investigation of nominee at the request of the White House.

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NEWSPAPER LIBRARIES

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 22, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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There are in Buffalo, New York, two newspapers of general circulation. They are the "Buffalo Evening News" and the "Courier Express." Mr. ROCKEFELLER was mentioned in newspaper articles regarding the takeover of the Attica Correctional Facility, Attica, New York, and subsequent deaths of 43 inmates and prison personnel on September 13, 1971. Pertinent articles from the two newspapers are being enclosed with this report.

An article in the July 11, 1959 edition of the "Buffalo Evening News," deals with property holdings of nominee in Venezuela. This article is being enclosed with this report.

On August 23, 1974, [redacted] Gannett News Library, Rochester, New York, made available to Special Agent [redacted] the news files maintained on the nominee which

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she stated contain primarily news items bearing on the nominee's decisions as Governor of New York which affected Monroe County and Rochester, New York. Pertinent articles from the "Times Union," a daily newspaper at Rochester, New York, are being enclosed with this report.

WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA

The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ] on August 22, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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The 1972-73 edition of Who's Who in America page 2679, contains biographical sketch of ROCKEFELLER. A review of the sketch revealed no information pertinent to the Buffalo Division.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ] on August 23, 1974:

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Mr. BARBER B. CONABLE, Jr., Alexander, New York, U.S. Representative, was contacted and advised that he had been interviewed two days prior, August 21, 1974, by another Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, D.C. at which time he furnished information regarding NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER.

Mr. [ ], Personal Secretary to United States Congressman THADDEUS DULSKI, advised Special Agent [ ] on August 23, 1974, that Congressman DULSKI stated he was interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, D.C. concerning the nomination of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for the Vice Presidency of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ] at Buffalo, New York on August 23, 1974:

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[ ], Case Worker, Office of the Honorable JACK KEMP, Member of Congress, [ ], Buffalo, New York, advised that Congressman KEMP had been previously interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, D.C., regarding the nomination of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER as Vice President.

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On August 23, 1974, United States Marshal [redacted], Western District of New York, was interviewed at Rochester, New York, and he advised that New York State Assemblyman DON W. COOK, [redacted], Rochester, New York, was on a ship destined for Nova Scotia, where Mr. COOK would be vacationing for some time.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Buffalo, New York, on August 23, 1974:

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ALBERT J. HAUSBECK, New York State Assemblyman, Second Floor, Donovan Building, 125 Main Street, Buffalo, New York, advised that Assemblyman STEPHEN R. GRECO, [redacted], Buffalo, New York, is a Democrat Assemblyman representing the City of Buffalo. HAUSBECK further stated that Mr. GRECO is presently on vacation in Canada and will not return to the United States for approximately ten days.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Williamsville, New York:

[redacted], Williamsville, New York, advised that her husband is [redacted], who also resides at the above address. Mrs. [redacted] further advised that her husband is a Republican and was formerly a New York State Assemblyman. She stated that her husband resigned on [redacted] in order to take another position. She further stated that no replacement has been named for her husband.

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In View of the fact that [redacted] is no longer connected with the New York State Assembly, the Buffalo Office will not contact him regarding his views concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Niagara Falls, New York on August 22, 1974:

[redacted], advised [redacted], LLOYD H. PATERSON, New York State Senator (Republican), 60th District, is presently on vacation in Ireland and will not return to the United States until September 6, 1974.

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On August 22, 1974, [REDACTED], Administrative Assistant to Bishop ROBERT R. SPEARS, Episcopal Diocese of Rochester, [REDACTED], Rochester, New York advised that Bishop SPEARS is on vacation and he does not believe that Bishop SPEARS has had any personal contact with the nominee.

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Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

U.S. Congressmen, members of the NYS Legislature, federal and local members of the Judiciary, federal and local public officials, officials of local bar associations, local political leaders, prominent attorneys, business leaders, local labor officials and religious, minority and ethnic leaders were interviewed in regard to ROCKEFELLER's nomination as Vice President of the United States. Comments were generally favorable regarding nominee's character, honesty, integrity, reputation, choice of associates, loyalty to the U.S. and abilities as a public official and administrator. Some individuals interviewed criticized ROCKEFELLER for his handling of the prison rebellion at Attica Correctional Facility, Attica, N.Y. in September, 1971. It was questioned whether nominee had anything to do with the 1973 indictment of N.Y. State Assembly Speaker PERRY DURYEA, for an election law violation in order to damage DURYEA's political reputation. Nominee's designation of new positions to enforce the new N.Y. State drug law was questioned as being created for increased political patronage. Nominee was criticized for the high taxes and numerous welfare benefits in the State of New York. It was said that nominee has circumvented the N.Y. State Constitution by establishing numerous authorities such as the N.Y. State Thruway Authority and by having Albany County finance the construction of the new South Mall in Albany, N.Y. with N.Y. State making payments to Albany County, avoiding statewide referendum. Democrat ARTHUR O. EVE, N.Y. State Assemblyman from Buffalo, advised he introduced resolution for impeachment of nominee as N.Y. State Governor as a result of nominee's handling of Attica Prison Rebellion. EVE criticized nominee for support of legislation requiring

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residence in N.Y. State before being eligible to receive public assistance. No outstanding tax liens or property ownership regarding nominee was located.

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INTERVIEWS WITH UNITED STATES  
CONGRESSMEN

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EUGENE A. HEVERON:

On August 23, 1974, Honorable FRANK HORTON, [redacted]  
United States Congressman, 34th District, 316 Federal  
Building, Rochester, New York, advised he has known the  
nominee since about 1958. He said he knows him  
politically and socially, and has on several occasions  
visited with nominee at nominee's homes in Washington,  
D.C. and New York City.

[redacted] Representative HORTON said he considers nominee to be straight-  
forward, a man of integrity, excellent morals and a very loyal  
American. He said he has campaigned with nominee on several  
occasions and there has never been any question of unethical  
or illegal campaigning on his part.

[redacted] Representative HORTON advised he is very pleased that  
ROCKEFELLER has been nominated for the Vice Presidency of the  
United States and recommended him highly for this position.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SAA [ ] on August 23, 1974 at Rushford, New York:

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United States Representative JAMES F. HASTINGS, 39th Congressional District, stated that he had been acquainted with the nominee since 1963 when he became a United States Representative and the nominee was Governor of New York State. He stated that although he has philosophical differences with nominee, these are overshadowed by nominee's integrity and outstanding leadership. He stated that during his years of association with nominee, he never knew nominee to misuse his office for the purpose of his or another person's personal gain. He also stated that during his many years of association with nominee, he has never known of any incidents which nominee attempted to cover up through the power of Governor of the State of New York.

He further characterized nominee as an intelligent, aggressive, and personable statesman who has the wisdom and knowledge to fulfill the duties of a leadership position within the United States Government. Representative HASTINGS stated he has no reason to question nominee's morals, character, sobriety, choice of associates, or loyalty to the United States and he highly recommended nominee for a position of trust.

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INTERVIEWS WITH MEMBERS OF  
NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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GORDON DEHOND, New York State Senator from the 52nd District, was contacted at his residence, [redacted], Irondequoit, New York. Senator DEHOND stated that he has had contact with nominee on a social basis at group gatherings on approximately six occasions since 1973, and the extent of this contact has been limited to an introduction and shaking hands. Senator DEHOND said that he has assisted in the organization of rallies for the political support of the nominee. He said he has never encountered any circumstance which he would consider unethical or illegal on the part of the nominee. In addition, Senator DEHOND stated that while he does not agree in some cases with nominee's political philosophy, he regards the nominee as a man of integrity whose ethics are [redacted] of the highest caliber.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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JAMES D. GRIFFIN, Member of the Senate, State of New York, [redacted], Buffalo, New York, advised that he has been a State Senator for eight years and as such has known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER on a professional basis. He advised that ROCKEFELLER is a friendly man whom you cannot help but like once you meet him. He described ROCKEFELLER as being of high moral standards and good character. He stated that he is a Roman Catholic and does not approve of ROCKEFELLER's divorce; however, he stated that this is a personal feeling based on his religious beliefs.

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Senator GRIFFIN stated that he knows of no specific organizations ROCKEFELLER belongs to and advised that he has never known ROCKEFELLER to do anything that might be considered unethical or illegal. He stated that as a member of the Democratic Party, he is not as closely associated with ROCKEFELLER as his Republican colleagues; however, he feels that ROCKEFELLER has the ability to be a capable Vice President.

Senator GRIFFIN advised the only reservation he has concerning ROCKEFELLER is his tremendous wealth which he feels might be of possible concern if ROCKEFELLER tries to influence people to his way of political thinking; however, he knows of no specific instance wherein this has happened. Senator GRIFFIN advised that he would recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

ALBERT J. HAUSBECK, who resides at [redacted] Avenue, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed at his office, which is located on the Second Floor of the Donovan Building, 125 Main Street, Buffalo, New York.

HAUSBECK advised that he is a Republican Assemblyman representing the City of Buffalo and has been for the past 15 years.

HAUSBECK stated that he has been acquainted with former Governor ROCKEFELLER on a professional as well as social basis. From his professional contacts with MR. ROCKEFELLER, HAUSBECK stated that the nominee is a man of tremendous ability and in his opinion, will have no problem occupying the office of Vice President of the United States.

HAUSBECK further stated that during his 15-year tenure in the New York State Assembly, he has socially met with MR. ROCKEFELLER on numerous occasions. He stated that from these meetings MR. ROCKEFELLER has shown that his integrity, character, and personal associations are beyond question.

HAUSBECK exhibited a copy of a personal letter he had written to President FORD on August 9, 1974, recommending without any reservations that MR. ROCKEFELLER be strongly considered for the Vice Presidential nomination. HAUSBECK stated that he has served in the New York State Assembly for the past 15 years, during which for the most part MR. ROCKEFELLER was the Governor of the State of New York. HAUSBECK further stated that during 10 of those years he was a member of the Democratic Party and from this association he can be sure that MR. ROCKEFELLER has the respect and admiration of both parties.

HAUSBECK concluded that he knows of no derogatory information concerning MR. ROCKEFELLER. HAUSBECK then restated that MR. ROCKEFELLER is well-deserving of the nomination he has received.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] at Niagara Falls, New York, on  
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RICHARD J. HOGAN (Republican), New York State Assemblyman, 139th District, was contacted at his place of employment, Hooker Chemical Corporation, 6th Floor, Carborundum Center, Niagara Falls, New York. HOGAN advised he does not know NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER on a personal basis, but evaluates him as a good choice for Vice President of the United States. He stated the nominee has excellent background qualifications and credentials for the position. His life-long record of public service speaks for itself and were there anything of a derogatory nature concerning his morals, ethics and professional ability, they would have been exposed long ago. HOGAN has no personal knowledge of anything in ROCKEFELLER's background that would discredit the office he seeks in the United States. He highly recommended ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.



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On August 23, 1974, JAMES T. MC FARLAND, Attorney and Republican State Senator, for New York's 59th District, advised as follows:

MC FARLAND has known and been associated with Mr. ROCKEFELLER for approximately 10 years and stated that his integrity, trustworthiness and reliability are above question. Nominee readily sees his responsibilities and accepts them in like manner. MC FARLAND further described Mr. ROCKEFELLER as an intelligent, hardworking and high principled individual. There is no reason whatsoever to question his loyalty or dedication and he knows of no affiliations with interests inimical to those of the United States which he may have.

MC FARLAND further advised that nominee is an extremely resourceful individual and one who inspires loyalty in those persons working for him. He exhibits qualities of courage, in that he adheres to his convictions and judgments and readily admits when he is wrong. Because of his qualities of mind, conscience, emotional stability and moral integrity, MC FARLAND strongly recommended Mr. ROCKEFELLER for a position of trust with the Government.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
[redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Jamestown,  
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New York State Senator JESS J. PRESENT, Hotel Jamestown Building, advised that he has been socially and professionally acquainted with former Governor ROCKEFELLER since 1964 and considers him to be a person of the highest integrity. He advised that his character, reputation and associates are above reproach and he considers him to be a loyal American citizen, as well as a dynamic administrator with the charisma to get along with persons in all walks of life. He feels he is fully qualified to handle the responsibilities of the Vice Presidency and recommends him for this position without hesitation.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
[redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Big Flats, New York:

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WILLIAM T. SMITH, II, Republican New York State Senator,  
advised as follows:

He has been acquainted with former New York State Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER since Senator SMITH was first elected to the New York State Legislature in 1963 and respects the nominee for his demonstrated sincerity and administrative abilities. Throughout their many years of acquaintanceship and working together in Albany, there has never arisen any question of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's honesty or integrity. The nominee enjoys an excellent reputation and is known to be a loyal and patriotic American citizen. Mr. ROCKEFELLER is well qualified for the position of Vice President of the United States by his considerable experience and although over the years the nominee and he have had many philosophical differences in their political thinking and approach to current problems, he believes that President FORD has made a fine choice in this matter.

Senator SMITH advised he personally recommends the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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FREDERICK L. WARDER, [redacted], Geneva, New York, New York State Senator, Republican, 52nd District, advised he has served the State of New York as an Assemblyman for ten years and two years as a State Senator. He stated he has known the nominee on a personal basis for the past 12 years. WARDER stated that he considers the nominee as his top choice for the position of Vice President of the United States, even though he and the nominee have had disagreements through the years. He stated that most of these disagreements were over the expenditure of state funds and other fiscal problems and did not have anything to do with the nominee's personal character.

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WARDER stated he considers the nominee to be a person of highest integrity and a person whose "word is good." He stated that the nominee has outstanding administrative abilities and is definitely qualified for the position of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Rochester, New York on August 23, 1974:

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THOMAS R. FREY, New York State Assemblyman, [redacted] [redacted] Rochester, New York advised that he has met NELSON ROCKEFELLER, but does not know him personally. He said to his knowledge, Mr. ROCKEFELLER is a man of good character and a loyal American citizen. He further advised that while he may not always agree with Mr. ROCKEFELLER's policies, he certainly knows of nothing which should preclude him from becoming Vice President of the United States.

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FRED J. ECKERT, New York State Senator, [redacted] [redacted] Rochester, New York, advised that he has met NELSON ROCKEFELLER, but does not know him on a personal basis. He said Mr. ROCKEFELLER is a man of high character and a loyal American citizen. ECKERT stated the only reservations he would have about ROCKEFELLER would be based on his political judgements rather than his character.

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ECKERT advised that he is concerned about the indictment last year of PERRY DURYEA, New York State Assembly Speaker, on a state election law violation. ECKERT stated that the indictment was for an obscure election law violation, which has probably been violated many times by others through ignorance of the law. He said DURYEA is the only person ever indicted on this violation, and he has since been vindicated.

ECKERT further advised that the indictment of DURYEA coincided with the resignation of NELSON ROCKEFELLER as Governor of New York. He said it is generally believed that ROCKEFELLER resigned to run for President in 1976 and he felt safer with MALCOLM WILSON as Governor of New York. ECKERT explained that DURYEA planned to run for Governor and the indictment severely damaged him politically. He said there is a general feeling in Albany that the indictment was a move by ROCKEFELLER to destroy DURYEA as a candidate for Governor and subsequently, DURYEA's chance of control of the New York State delegation at the 1976 Republican Convention.

ECKERT further stated that although he has no specific information on the DURYEA indictment, he feels it could be a potentially embarrassing situation for ROCKEFELLER and is a matter that should be considered.

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On August 23, 1974, ARTHUR O. EVE, New York State  
Assemblyman (Democrat), advised as follows:

EVE, in his capacity as legislator, has been acquainted with Vice Presidential nominee NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER since approximately 1967. Mr. EVE stated that, in 1972, he introduced a resolution into the New York State Assembly calling for the impeachment of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER from his position as the Governor of New York State. This resolution contains a succinct summary of EVE's objections to the actions of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER in connection with the prisoner rebellion at the Attica Correctional Facility in September, 1971.

Mr. EVE stated he feels the nominee's failure to go to the area where the prisoner rebellion occurred to obtain first-hand information and make reasonable decisions thereon, demonstrated nominee's lack of leadership at a critical time.

On another occasion, Mr. EVE and the Black and Puerto Rican Legislative Caucus met with Governor ROCKEFELLER to object to a Residency Bill which had been passed by the New York State Legislature. Mr. EVE stated that this bill, particularly the first draft, was very discriminatory against Blacks and Puerto Ricans. He stated that he felt this bill was being used as an element to polarize the people of New York State to make people look upon Blacks and Puerto Ricans as the primary cause of all the state's financial problems. During the conference, Governor ROCKEFELLER commented to the effect that the courts would probably throw the bill out but that he was going to support it anyway. The bill was signed by Governor ROCKEFELLER and became law, and the courts subsequently struck it down. Mr. EVE feels that Mr. ROCKEFELLER knew the Residency Bill was unconstitutional but was going to support it anyway. Mr. EVE feels this reflects on the nominee's integrity and that the bill nominee supported was highly discriminatory against the Blacks and Puerto Ricans.

Mr. EVE stated he has no knowledge of any unethical practices by the nominee but feels that his activities in connection with the prisoner revolt at Attica in 1971 and the Residency Bill reflect on his leadership and integrity.

Mr. EVE would not recommend the nominee for the Vice Presidency of the United States because of the insensitivity and lack of leadership shown in the last three years of the nominee's administration of New York State in dealing with and resolving the problems of all of the people of New York State.

Mr. EVE stated that a copy of his resolution for the impeachment of Governor ROCKEFELLER and the Residency Bill to which he referred could be obtained from the New York Legislative Record and Index for 1972 and either 1970 or 1971, respectively.

Copies of the aforementioned impeachment resolution and the aforementioned Residency Bill follow:



38 EVE --- Whereas, Nelson A. Rockefeller, Governor of the State of New York, despite his constitutional obligation to "take care that the laws are faithfully executed", despite his legal responsibility for the overall operation of the State corrections system, despite his executive obligations in situations of emergency within the State, willfully rejected the request of the Attica Observer Committee, including five State legislators and one United States Congressman, to go to Attica, New York during the inmate rebellion and confer with the Observer Committee, even when such Com-

mittee made it clear that there was imminent danger of great loss of life which his presence might avert; and

Whereas, Said Rockefeller willfully refused a direct request from members of the legislature and others of the Attica Observer Committee for more time in which to attempt an orderly and peaceful resolution of the crisis and prevent the unnecessary destruction of human lives; and

Whereas, Nelson A. Rockefeller is responsible for sending military, police, and corrections personnel into Attica Correctional Facility on September 13, 1971 who were armed with unnecessary deadly force and who used unnecessary deadly force, firing indiscriminately into the inmate population, in violation of state and federal law, as well as Correctional Services departmental policy, resulting in the loss of life for forty-three persons (and possibly more); and

Whereas, Nelson A. Rockefeller has defaulted in his executive authority by virtue of his failure, through refusal, neglect or inability, to control those answerable to him for the operation of the State's correctional facilities, as evidenced by the widespread lies in connection with the rebellion propagated by persons under his direction and control, the illegal summary punishment inflicted upon inmates following the rebellion, the denial of adequate medical treatment for injured inmates, the lawless disregard for due process guarantees in the imposition of segregation, transfers and other punitive sanctions; and

Whereas, Nelson A. Rockefeller has admitted responsibility for the manner in which the State responded to the Attica Correctional Facility inmate rebellion; and

Whereas, Said Governor appears unwilling or unable to use his executive authority to control the wholesale abuse of inmates and their rights in state correctional facilities which, at Attica and elsewhere, before the rebellion and since, has acted as a deep seated source of grievance for the state's prison population and for all citizens concerned with fair treatment under the law; and

Whereas, Nelson A. Rockefeller has otherwise wrongfully and illegally acted or omitted to act in the area of his legal and constitutional obligations with respect to corrections;

Therefore, be it Resolved by the Assembly of the State of New York that Nelson A. Rockefeller, Governor of the State of New York, be and is hereby impeached for wrongful and illegal conduct in office and for his high crimes and misdemeanors.

Rules Com.



## CHAPTER 606

AN ACT to institute a temporary requirement of residency for eligibility for assistance and care during a period of emergency which threatens the economic and social viability of the state

Became a law June 22, 1971, with the approval of the Governor. Passed by a majority vote, three-fifths being present

*The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

Section 1. The state of the economy in New York and elsewhere is one of severe stringency. The combination of inflation and high unemployment undermines the capacity of governments at all levels to meet the need for public services and to deal effectively with growing social problems, as well as the capacity of individual citizens to provide for their own needs.

The challenges facing the state and local governments today are manifold and are particularly acute in our urban areas. Many people are living in seriously overcrowded housing and under substandard conditions. The housing shortage is acute and rapidly becoming worse. Narcotics addiction and other forms of drug abuse have reached epidemic proportions. In many urban areas, schools, social services and health resources are seriously overburdened. Crime, dirty streets and pollution also plague our cities. Essential public services, including fire and police protection, sanitation and education, are simply becoming severely overloaded.

The growth in the welfare burden during this time of inflation and a tightening job market heightens these problems both by increasing the demand for other essential services and by necessitating a diversion of limited funds from them.

It has been a consistent state policy to provide for the sustenance of all those persons unable to provide for themselves. The state has realistically determined the minimum needs of sustenance in New York. In the face of continually increasing requirements of funds to meet these needs, both the state and local governments have continued to pay their shares. The state's share has risen from \$619,691,000 in fiscal year 1967-68 to \$988,773,000 in 1970-71. Based on the rate of growth in welfare costs experienced in that period, the welfare expenditure in the state would be double the 1970-71 level by fiscal year 1975-76. At the same time that dollar costs have spiraled upwards, a corresponding pattern has developed for the number of persons on welfare. New York state today has one and one-half times as many people on welfare per thousand of population as the rest of the country.

State and local governments cannot continue to finance from their own revenues the escalating costs of providing the educational, fire, police, sanitation, health and other services needed to meet the varied problems they face. Inflation and the rapid growth

EXPLANATION — Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

in the cost of providing basic public services have resulted in the highest state and local tax burden in the nation. The additional tax effort necessary to meet the projected financial requirements of welfare would only accelerate the flight of job producing and revenue producing business thereby further undermining the capacity of governments in this state to meet their responsibilities. In recognition of the impact that additional taxes would have, the legislature has already imposed severe budgeting restrictions on all aspects of the operations of state government and on the levels of local assistance provided by the state.

The welfare problem is one result of the federal government's failure to return adequate revenues to the states on an equitable basis. Despite the magnitude of the welfare problem in New York as compared to other states and despite our major effort to meet that burden, this state has received the lowest possible percentage of federal assistance of those states providing full service. The rate of federal aid for welfare is not related to the amounts paid by states to persons in need, nor to the percentage of such persons who reside in such states, nor to the maintenance of effort by such states as demonstrated in their willingness to tax their residents to support their assistance programs, nor to the extension of such assistance to needy persons not included within the categories of federal public assistance.

A significant proportion of the state's public assistance load, in terms of the numbers of recipients and the level of expenditures, is directly attributable to the national inequality of public assistance payments. Since New York has provided sufficient living allowances for needy persons and other states have not, there has been and continues to be a significant migration of persons from those states into New York state as the direct result of lack of welfare assistance and services provided by the states from which they came. The continued growth in the number of persons in need of public assistance threatens the capacity of state and local government to continue to provide and finance adequate levels of all public services, including public assistance, for those residents here as well as those coming into the state. Even with the reduction this year of public services in every field and a substantial increase in taxes, it has been necessary, for the first time, to reduce the proportion of public assistance allowances below one hundred per cent of determined need. Further reductions will clearly be necessary in the immediate future unless the rate of increase in the number of such recipients substantially abates. For persons unable to provide for themselves to come to New York state from throughout the nation is therefore unfair both to those who live here as well as to those who would seek to come here at this time and under these circumstances.

The greatest public good and least public harm will come from the maintenance of the levels of public assistance rather than from the stretching of this state's limited state and local funds to cover persons who have not yet established dependence upon them—those

who are the most recent arrivals in the state. To provide for the needs of all persons in the state, the legislature finds the establishment of a five-year emergency period during which the state will require a one-year residency as an essential step in protecting the state's economic and social viability.

§ 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and for so long as the state shall not be disqualified from federal reimbursement for its public assistance program, no payment for public assistance and care of any kind shall be made to any person applying therefor after the effective date of this act and during a period of five years thereafter which applicant has not been a resident of the state for the period of one year next preceding such application except that upon application making a showing of need, a social services district may furnish a person not entitled to assistance and care under this act with transportation and attendant expenses to another state or country, provided that such person has resided therein during the past twelve months or has legally responsible relatives therein or friends willing to undertake the obligation to support him, and in such event, the expenditure shall be reimbursed to the social services district upon the submission of an account therefor and upon the audit and warrant of the comptroller.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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On August 23, 1974, Mr. JOHN J. LA FALCE, New York State Assemblyman (Democrat), advised he is personally acquainted with NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. LA FALCE stated that he has no first-hand knowledge of any thing which would reflect unfavorably on the nominee's character, integrity or loyalty to the United States. He stated that aside from personal political differences with the nominee, he knows of no reason why the nominee should not be favorably considered for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Westfield, New York:

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New York State Assemblyman JOHN W. BECKMAN, [redacted], advised that he has been acquainted with former Governor ROCKEFELLER on a professional basis since 1968. He advised that he has had no personal association with him, but from comments of others and from personal observation has found him to be a capable administrator and fully qualified to fulfill the responsibilities of the Vice Presidency.

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Assemblyman BECKMAN advised that former Governor ROCKEFELLER is an individual of excellent moral character, reputation and associates and an extremely loyal American citizen. He advised he would recommend him for the position of Vice President without hesitation.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] at Buffalo, New York on August 23, 1974:

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FRANCIS J. GRIFFIN, Member of Assembly, State of New York, [redacted], Buffalo, New York, advised that he has been a Democratic member of the Assembly of the State of New York for 12 years.

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GRIFFIN advised that he has known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER on a professional basis for the past 12 years and that he maintains a high degree of character and loyalty with political considerations being set aside. GRIFFIN stated that ROCKEFELLER is a very persuasive and powerful man and that he is very capable of performing the duties of Vice President. GRIFFIN stated that although ROCKEFELLER is not [redacted] his personal choice for Vice President, he feels that it is as good a choice as President GERALD R. FORD could have made.

GRIFFIN stated that he knows of nothing derogatory concerning ROCKEFELLER and advised that ROCKEFELLER maintains high moral standards and he has never known him to do anything unethical or illegal.

GRIFFIN advised that he would recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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On August 23, 1974, DALE M. VOLKER, Central Avenue, Lancaster, New York, Attorney and New York State Assemblyman, 148th District, advised as follows:

VOLKER has known and been associated with ROCKEFELLER for two years and he stated that nominee is a strong-willed and determined man. He indicated that he feels nominee has a very forceful personality and feels that as Vice President, ROCKEFELLER would tend to have his own ideas and establish an identity of his own. However, VOLKER has no doubt that nominee will be loyal to both the President and the aims of the country.

VOLKER stated that he has no reason to question the loyalty of Mr. ROCKEFELLER and feels that he is a man of honesty and integrity and one who will stand up for his convictions.

VOLKER stated that he would recommend nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.



The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

JAMES E. HURLEY, [redacted], Lyons, New York, New York State Assemblyman, 129th District, advised he has served in the New York State Assembly since January, 1973. He also stated he was Sheriff of Wayne County, New York, from 1967 to 1972. HURLEY stated that he has known nominee since about 1962, when he, HURLEY, was appointed a trooper with the New York State Police.

HURLEY stated that with one possible exception he considers the nominee to be a person of excellent character, integrity, capable of high administrative duties and a loyal American. HURLEY stated that the one possible exception that troubles him is the reported involvement of the nominee in the indictment of PERRY B. DURYEA, Republican Speaker of the New York State Assembly.

HURLEY advised DURYEA was indicted last year by a Grand Jury in Manhattan, New York, concerning a violation of election laws. HURLEY stated this indictment received wide-spread publicity and even though DURYEA's indictment was later dismissed by the courts, DURYEA's reputation suffered.

HURLEY stated that DURYEA is a "liberal Republican" and is known to have aspirations to be Governor of New York State. He further stated that ROCKEFELLER and DURYEA are known to be in opposition on many matters. He stated that after DURYEA was indicted, it was rumored in Albany that Attorney General Louis LEFKOWITZ and ROCKEFELLER were responsible for the indictment of DURYEA.

HURLEY stated that in about February or March, 1974, he and several other Assemblymen had a meeting with DURYEA regarding some local legislation. He stated that during the meeting ROCKEFELLER's name was mentioned as well as the indictment of DURYEA. He stated that during the conversation, DURYEA stated that he had proof that the nominee and Attorney General LEFKOWITZ "engineered" and directed his indictment through

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the District Attorney of Manhattan. HURLEY said that DURYEA did not elaborate or explain what his proof is; however, he indicated that the reason the nominee wanted him indicted was to destroy his reputation and prevent him from ever being Governor of New York State.

HURLEY stated that he has always respected the nominee and also respects DURYEA. However, he feels that if DURYEA's statement is true, he would not recommend the nominee for Vice President of the United States. HURLEY stated that there is no way for him to be sure if the allegation is true or false, therefore, he does not feel he should recommend either for or against the nominee.

HURLEY stated he cannot recall the names of other Assemblymen present during the above conversation with DURYEA, but believes that Republican Assemblyman JAMES L. EMERY, Geneseo, New York was present.

JAMES L. EMERY, [redacted], Geneseo, New York, Republican Assemblyman, New York State, 139th District, advised he has served in the New York State Assembly since 1964 and is the Deputy Majority Leader. He stated he has known the nominee since about 1960, when the nominee appointed him as Sheriff of Livingston County. EMERY said he considers the nominee to be a person above reproach and of highest integrity. He stated the nominee is of outstanding character and ability and that he would highly recommend him to be Vice President of the United States.

EMERY was questioned concerning his possible presence at a meeting with Speaker of the New York State Assembly, PERRY B. DURYEA in about February or March, 1974, during which DURYEA reportedly stated he had proof that the nominee was directly responsible for DURYEA's indictment. EMERY stated he does not recall being present at any such meeting, and stated he has never heard DURYEA accuse the nominee of being responsible for his, DURYEA's, indictment. EMERY stated that he does recall rumors in Albany that the nominee and Attorney General LEFKOWITZ were responsible for DURYEA's indictment, but that he has never heard this from a reliable source.

EMERY could furnish no further information.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted], on August 24, 1974:

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New York State Assemblyman ALAN J. JUSTIN, [redacted] [redacted], Cheektowaga, New York, was interviewed regarding the nomination of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States and he advised as follows:

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JUSTIN stated that he has been a Republican Assemblyman for the past two years and during that period of time, he has had personal contact with the nominee. JUSTIN stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character, integrity, associates and general reputation are all beyond question. He further stated that although he is of the same party as Mr. ROCKEFELLER, he disagrees with many of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's political ideologies. Mr. JUSTIN said that he believes that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has the ability as well as the honesty needed for the position of Vice President of the United States.

JUSTIN concluded that he knows of no derogatory information concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER that would tend to change his opinion of him. He further stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is not prejudiced in his statements, nor does he know of any illegal or unethical practices on the part of Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOSEPH J. CAIN on August 23, 1974:

FRANK A. CARROLL, New York State Assemblyman,  
[REDACTED], Rochester, New York, advised that he has  
been in the State Assembly for eight years and during this  
time he found the nominee to be a very competent and capa-  
ble individual. He said that the nominee has excellent  
character, associates, reputation and loyalty and he would  
highly recommend the nominee for a position of trust and  
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volved in any illegal or unethical political campaigns.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOSEPH J. CAIN on August 23, 1974:

WILLIAM M. STEINFELDT, New York State Assemblyman,  
[redacted], Rochester, New York, advised that he was  
first in contact with the nominee in 1959. STEINFELDT said  
that he has been in the State Assembly for five years and  
during this time, he found the nominee to be a very compet-  
ent and capable individual. He said that the nominee is a  
very ambitious individual and has great confidence in him-  
self. He stated that the nominee is highly respected for  
his integrity and honesty and he has never been involved in  
any illegal or unethical political campaigns. He added that  
the nominee has excellent character, associates, reputation  
and loyalty and that he would highly recommend the nominee  
for a position of trust and confidence.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 26, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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New York State Senator THOMAS F. MC GOWAN, a Republican, advised that he is acquainted with the nominee due to legislative and political contacts, but is not closely associated with him. He characterized the nominee as an honorable man who attempts to be fair and was never vindictive in his administration of New York State.

Mr. MC GOWAN stated he knows of no unfavorable information which would touch on the nominee's character, integrity or reputation. He stated he is certain the nominee is loyal to the American system of Government.

Mr. MC GOWAN stated that, to his knowledge, the nominee has never engaged in any unethical practices of any kind. He added that people in public life live in glass bowls and that if the nominee had engaged in any such practices, he would certainly have become aware of this.

He stated he has on occasion had political differences with the nominee and during these differences, he found the nominee dealt with him and others with respect.

Mr. MC GOWAN feels that the nominee will do his best to fulfill his duty in any post, and would recommend him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EUGENE A. HEVERON:

On August 22, 1974, Honorable HAROLD P. BURKE, United States District Court Judge, Western District of New York, Rochester, New York, advised that he has never met the nominee. Judge BURKE said that he cannot comment on nominee's qualifications from personal knowledge, but that he knows of nothing that would reflect on nominee's character, moral standards, reputation, associates, loyalty to the Government or abilities which would preclude nominee's consideration for the position of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOSEPH J. CAIN:

On August 22, 1974, STEPHEN S. JOY, United States Magistrate, Western District of New York, [REDACTED], Rochester, New York, advised that he has never had any personal contact with the nominee, that he does not know any derogatory information concerning him, and that he has no information to indicate that nominee has been involved in any illegal or unethical political campaigns. He added that he has no comment concerning nominee's politics.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED], at Buffalo, New York, on August 22, 1974:

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EDMOND F. MAXWELL, Democrat, United States Magistrate, Western District of New York, 414 United States Court House, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has never had any personal or political contact with Mr. ROCKEFELLER. However, despite his opposite political affiliation with the nominee, he does not have or know of any reason why ROCKEFELLER should not be confirmed as Vice President of the United States. Mr. MAXWELL advised, however, that he does not care to furnish a personal opinion or recommendation regarding the nominee.

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Honorable JOHN T. CURTIN, United States District Court Judge, Western District of New York, 614 U. S. Court House Building, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has never had any political or personal affiliation with the nominee; however, he does not have or know of any reason why Mr. ROCKEFELLER should not be confirmed as Vice President of the United States. Judge CURTIN further advised that inasmuch as he is not personally acquainted with the nominee in any manner, he does not desire to offer any personal opinion or recommendation regarding Mr. ROCKEFELLER's confirmation.



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INTERVIEWS WITH MEMBERS OF THE  
JUDICIARY - LOCAL

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EUGENE A. HEVERON on August 23, 1974:

Honorable WALTER MAHONEY, Justice, Appellate Division, 4th Department, Supreme Court, Erie County, Buffalo, New York, was contacted at the Appellate Division, New York State Supreme Court, Monroe County, Hall of Justice, Rochester, New York.

Judge MAHONEY advised he has known nominee for about sixteen years, both politically and socially. He advised that nominee is of high integrity, excellent moral character, and a very loyal American. Judge MAHONEY stated that his evaluation of nominee is also based on the many personal contacts they have had and that he considers nominee to be fully capable of exercising his responsibilities as Vice President of the United States. It was Judge MAHONEY's opinion that if nominee is confirmed as Vice President, nominee will continue to be one who contributes substantially to the well-being of many Americans.

The following investigation was conducted by  
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FREDRICK M. MARSHALL, Administrative Judge and Supreme Court Justice, State of New York, Erie County Building, Buffalo, New York, was interviewed and advised that he has known Mr. ROCKEFELLER in a political relationship since 1968. He stated that he has no information that would deny that nominee is a man of high integrity, excellent character and high moral principles. With regard to his ability to assume the position of Vice President, MARSHALL feels that he is an excellent candidate because of his vast administrative experience and his tremendous capacity to view situations and react to them intelligently. He further stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER possesses knowledge of the three branches of government and is an advocate of a separation of powers between the three. MARSHALL also feels that nominee has a great respect for the judiciary.

Justice MARSHALL recommends Mr. ROCKEFELLER without reservation for the position of Vice President.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted], at Buffalo, New York, on August 22, 1974:

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Justice WILLIAM J. FLYNN, Republican, New York Supreme Court of Erie County, Buffalo, New York, advised that he first met the nominee in 1961 at a Republican meeting in Albany, New York, and has had limited contact with him over the years at official and political meetings. He last saw Mr. ROCKEFELLER in New York City, New York, in September, 1973, at which time Mr. ROCKEFELLER, as Governor, attended FLYNN's swearing-in ceremony to the New York Supreme Court. Justice FLYNN advised, however, that he is not a close personal or social friend of the nominee. He advised that he would recommend Mr. ROCKEFELLER without reservation for the position of Vice President of the United States, inasmuch as his personal contact with the nominee over the years has shown nominee to be a man of impeccable character, a great administrator, and exceptionally qualified in Governmental affairs. Justice FLYNN further advised that he has no reason to question the nominee's loyalty to the United States and he is confident that Mr. ROCKEFELLER will uphold the Constitution of the United States.

Justice MICHAEL F. DILLON, Democrat, Erie County Supreme Court of the State of New York, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has known Mr. ROCKEFELLER for approximately 11 years. However, he has not had any personal or social relationship with him due to their opposite political affiliation. For this reason, Justice DILLON advised that he does not desire to furnish a personal recommendation; however, he stated that he considers the nominee to be a man of personal integrity, extremely capable, and obviously loyal to his country. He further stated that he does not know of any reason why Mr. ROCKEFELLER should not be confirmed as Vice President of the United States.

Justice JOSEPH P. KUSZYNSKI, Erie County Supreme Court, State of New York, Buffalo, New York, advised he first met Mr. ROCKEFELLER in 1958, at which time both were running on the Republican ticket. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER was elected Governor and he to the position of Buffalo City Judge. He further advised that as a result of the election, Mr. ROCKEFELLER has always been friendly toward him and in fact, appointed him and attended his swearing-in ceremony to the New York Supreme Court in 1965 at Buffalo, New York. Justice KUSZYNSKI advised that despite the nominee's great wealth and the fact that he was Governor of New York, he has always portrayed himself in a considerate and humble manner. He advised that in his opinion the nominee is a man of impeccable character, unquestionable loyalty to his country, and a great administrator. He also advised that he thinks the nominee was a great Governor and was more than fair to all minority and ethnic groups during his ten years in office. He stated that he would highly recommend the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.

Justice JOHN DOERR, Democrat, Erie County Supreme Court, State of New York, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has had personal contact over the years with the nominee as a State Senator and at political affairs; however, no personal relationship exists between them. Justice DOERR advised that he opposes Mr. ROCKEFELLER's political philosophy and questions his judgment of not personally coming to the Attica Prison to negotiate with the inmates during the Attica Prison incident in 1971. However, he does not know of any reason why Mr. ROCKEFELLER should not be confirmed as Vice President of the United States. Justice DOERR stated that in his opinion the nominee owes his success to the fact that he can accommodate and adjust to any political situation. He stated that in view of his opposite political affiliation, he does not care to offer any additional personal opinions or a recommendation regarding the nominee's confirmation.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted], on August 22, 1974:

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JOHN T. ELFVIN, United States Attorney, Western District of New York, 502 United States Court House, Buffalo, New York, advised as follows:

Mr. ELFVIN stated that he has known Mr. ROCKEFELLER since approximately 1962. He has met him on a number of occasions through his political activity; however, he does not know him well enough to consider him a personal friend. Mr. ELFVIN advised that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be a very honest and fair individual and a hard-nosed fighter for programs he believes in. He further advised that there has never been a hint of any unethical or illegal dealings in any of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's political tactics or business dealings. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's personal character and reputation are above reproach.

Mr. ELFVIN stated that the nominee has always gone out of his way to be open-minded to all minority groups and has implemented numerous programs in the State of New York geared to helping minorities. As an example of this, Mr. ELFVIN stated that the nominee has been very instrumental in helping minority members into labor union ranks.

Mr. ELFVIN advised that he considers the nominee to be a top man in his field and very highly recommends him for the office of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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EDWARD S. KING, United States Marshal, United States Court House Building, Buffalo, New York, stated that he has been politically acquainted with the nominee for nearly 20 years. During this time, he has known the nominee to be an outstanding individual demonstrating exceptional character and integrity. KING believes the nominee to be more than capable of handling the position of Vice President of the United States. He also stated that should the situation arise, he believes the nominee to be qualified for the office of President of the United States.

KING further stated that he has no reason to believe that the nominee has ever behaved unethically or immorally and knows of nothing derogatory that would preclude the nominee's confirmation. KING stated that he does not know the ROCKEFELLER family socially, and would be unable to comment on the nominee's family; however, he has no reason to believe that any of these individuals would in some way compromise the nominee's position as Vice President. KING stated he feels that the nominee has never conducted his affairs in a prejudicial or racist manner, and has always paid particular concern to the plight of the minorities.

KING feels that the nominee is more than capable of carrying on his exceptional performance as a public servant on a national scale. He recommends the nominee highly for the office of the Vice President of the United States.

GEORGE V. MESAROS, Agent in Charge, United States Secret Service, Federal Building, Buffalo, New York, stated that he never had contact with the nominee during his tenure as Governor of the State of New York. MESAROS further advised that he has not met the nominee personally and, therefore, would be unable to comment in that regard. However, based on his knowledge of the nominee's public life, he considers the nominee to be a capable administrator.



MESAROS advised that in view of the nominee's lengthy public service career, and successful performance as Governor of the State of New York, he feels that the nominee is qualified for the office of Vice President of the United States. He does not know of any reason which would preclude the appointment of the nominee.

MESAROS stated that he has never heard, nor seen any evidence that would suggest the nominee has a particular ethnic bias or prejudice. MESAROS believes that the nominee is capable of performing the duties of Vice President of the United States as well as those of the President of the United States and recommends him for the position of Vice President.

GLENN W. BERTNESS, District Director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Court House, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has only recently assumed the duties of District Director in this area, having resided in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for the past several years. He has therefore, had no personal or professional contact with the nominee while the nominee was Governor of the State of New York.

BERTNESS stated that his impressions of the nominee are based purely on what he observed in the newspapers and other segments of the media. He does believe the nominee to be capable as an administrator in view of his lengthy tenure as Governor of the State of New York.

BERTNESS feels that the nominee's interest in public service has been motivated by a desire to improve the capabilities of the State Government to serve the people. He further stated that he believes the nominee would carry this desire through on a national level and believes him qualified for the position of Vice President of the United States. BERTNESS also feels that should the situation arise, the nominee would be qualified for the office of the President of the United States.



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BERTNESS stated he has no reason to believe that the nominee has acted in an unethical or immoral manner, and considers him a loyal American citizen of good character and integrity. He stated that based on this peripheral view of the nominee, he recommends him for the office of Vice President of the United States.

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PUBLIC OFFICIALS

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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MICHAEL A. AMICO, Sheriff of Erie County, [redacted]  
Avenue, Buffalo, New York, stated that he has been Sheriff of  
Erie County for five years, which is an elected office, and  
is a member of the Democratic Party. AMICO stated that he  
has been in law enforcement for 23 years.

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AMICO stated that he has been acquainted with  
former Governor ROCKEFELLER strictly on a professional basis  
and would not classify himself as knowing the former Governor  
personally. AMICO stated that from his professional  
contacts with ROCKEFELLER, he would recommend him  
based on his knowledge of nominee's character,  
reputation, loyalty to the Government and personal associates.  
AMICO further stated that he believes the former Governor is  
capable of professionally and politically occupying the high  
office of Vice President, or of President, if needed.

AMICO stated that he believes that former Governor  
ROCKEFELLER helped law enforcement in New York State by his  
various programs and support of local and state agencies. He  
said that nominee helped raise the salaries of law enforcement  
officials, helped to establish new penal codes and in general,  
bettered the image of law enforcement officers. AMICO stated  
that he believes the former Governor is fair to all ethnic  
and racial groups and exhibited this in his programs and  
policies as Governor of New York State. AMICO stated  
that as a person of Italian extraction, he feels the former  
Governor supported qualified members of his ethnic background  
and specifically mentioned the former Governor's appointment  
of several persons of Italian extraction to high office in the  
State of New York.

AMICO stated that he knows of no derogatory infor-  
mation concerning the former Governor, his relatives, or  
his associates that would cause AMICO to alter his recommendation.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED], on August 23, 1974:

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JOHN F. DOWNING, Deputy Mayor, City Hall, Buffalo, New York, advised as follows:

MR. DOWNING stated that he has had very little contact with MR. ROCKEFELLER, that he had met him once in Albany, but in no way does he know him personally. However, he dealt with many of MR. ROCKEFELLER'S State agencies while he was in the position of Commissioner of Public Works for the City of Buffalo. He stated that MR. ROCKEFELLER'S honesty, integrity and character are unquestionable. He has always found MR. ROCKEFELLER and his associates to be very fair and honest. He has never heard any complaints or seen any instances where MR. ROCKEFELLER showed any prejudice to any minority group.

MR. DOWNING stated his only reservation concerning MR. ROCKEFELLER is that he, MR. DOWNING, believes he is too closely allied with big business and financial interests and would be possibly subject to undue influences from these special interest groups.

CHARLES S. LIGHT, President, Buffalo Chamber of Commerce, 238 Main Street, Buffalo, New York, advised as follows:

MR. LIGHT stated that he has met MR. ROCKEFELLER on numerous occasions ever since the nominee has been Governor of New York. He stated that he considers MR. ROCKEFELLER a "top drawer administrator" and a very honest and sincere individual. He stated that MR. ROCKEFELLER is highly respected for his honesty. He stated he believes MR. ROCKEFELLER is a man of ideals and would

subordinate personal political gain to his ideals. Mr. LIGHT stated that he has always known Mr. ROCKEFELLER to have associates and advisors of a very high caliber and stated that only a man of very sound character and moral principles would be able to attract men of this nature.

Mr. LIGHT advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has never demonstrated any prejudice and has always been very even handed in his dealings and very representative of his constituency.

LOUIS RUSSO, Deputy Executive of Erie County, Erie County Hall, Buffalo, New York, advised as follows:

Mr. RUSSO stated that he has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER but he has never had any real personal contact with him. Mr. RUSSO advised that although he would not question Mr. ROCKEFELLER's personal honesty and does not believe he has ever engaged in any illegal activities, he believes the tactics used by Mr. ROCKEFELLER in furthering some of his programs while Governor of New York State are subject to question. Mr. RUSSO advised that he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER violated the spirit, if not the letter, of the law with the use of some of these tactics. As an example of this, Mr. RUSSO stated that the New York State Constitution forbids large scale capital construction to be conducted by the State Government without approval by a statewide referendum. Mr. ROCKEFELLER avoided this in the building of the South Mall, Albany, New York, by pressuring Albany County into financing and constructing the Mall and then having the State make payments to Albany County. In this way, Mr. RUSSO stated that the State of New York was not engaged in capital construction and therefore by strict interpretation of the New York State Constitution, a referendum was not required. He stated that this clause of the Constitution has always been circumvented by Mr. ROCKEFELLER in his establishment of numerous authorities such as the New York State Thruway Authority and the State University Dormitory Authority as independent bodies for the purpose of capital construction within their own field, and thus relieving the State of engaging in capital construction and thereby avoiding a referendum.

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Mr. RUSSO also advised that he considers the nominee to be a very forceful politician and he has injected himself unnecessarily into politics on the local level, particularly in the field of appointments to State positions. He stated that there has been nothing illegal done in this field but he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER has ignored certain political protocol in his handling of State appointments.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
EUGENE A. HEVERON:

On August 22, 1974, JACK B. LAZARUS, Monroe County District Attorney, Rochester, New York, advised he has had contact with nominee personally on several occasions during the seventeen years that LAZARUS has been associated with the Monroe County District Attorney's Office.

Mr. LAZARUS advised that these meetings have generally been with other district attorneys in the State of New York, when business of the district attorneys offices was discussed and decisions were made by nominee. He advised he also met nominee personally on some occasions.

Mr. LAZARUS advised he believes nominee to be of excellent moral character, high integrity, an extremely capable individual and a very loyal American. He said he is very pleased with the choice of nominee for Vice President of the United States.

On August 23, 1974, THOMAS F. HASTINGS, Chief of Police, Rochester, New York, advised that he met nominee once several years ago, but would be unable to make any comment as he does not know nominee personally.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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Mr. EDWARD C. COSGROVE, Erie County District Attorney, Erie County Hall, Buffalo, New York advised as follows:

Mr. COSGROVE stated that he has never met Mr. ROCKFELLER and has no personal knowledge of any derogatory information concerning him. He advised that he does not consider himself to be in a position to comment on Mr. ROCKEFELLER's personal character.

Mr. COSGROVE advised that he has caused a complete search of the records of the Erie County District Attorney's Office and has found no derogatory information contained in these records.



The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted], at Rochester, New York, on August 22, 1974:

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THOMAS P. RYAN, Jr., Mayor of Rochester, advised he has been in office since January, 1974, and MALCOLM WILSON has been Governor of New York State since that time. He stated he has had no professional contact with NELSON ROCKEFELLER and does not know him socially. He stated he therefore cannot comment specifically but that he has heard nothing derogatory concerning nominee. Mayor RYAN stated he has no information indicating that ROCKEFELLER ever employed any unethical or illegal campaign tactics and has heard nothing indicating any illegal behavior whatsoever on the part of nominee.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ]  
[ ] on August 22, 1974:

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LUCIEN A. MORIN, County Manager, Monroe County,  
Rochester, New York, advised as follows:

He has known the nominee since the early 1960's. Mr. MORIN was a town official in Henrietta, New York, when he first met Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. MORIN subsequently became a county legislator and then County Manager, and his contacts with the nominee increased. Mr. MORIN has met with the nominee both as an individual and as a member of groups.

Mr. MORIN has a great deal of respect for the integrity of the nominee. He would feel very comfortable with Mr. ROCKEFELLER serving as Vice President of the United States. The nominee has displayed a great deal of fairness in his dealings with people. He has an ability to address problems and he is also able to get action on problems. Mr. ROCKEFELLER is a loyal American citizen, who believes and practices the principles established in the United States Constitution.

Although Mr. MORIN's political philosophy has been opposed to the nominee's in the past, Mr. MORIN would like to have Mr. ROCKEFELLER serve as Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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WORTH D. HOLDER, Executive Vice President,  
Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce, [redacted],  
Rochester, New York, advised that he has met the nominee  
on a number of occasions, as a result of Mr. HOLDER's  
position with the Chamber of Commerce.

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Mr. HOLDER said he considers the nominee to be  
both personable and cooperative. He said that nominee's  
character and integrity are above reproach, and that nominee  
is a loyal and dedicated American citizen. He commented  
that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is a dedicated public servant and a  
capable administrator.

Although Mr. HOLDER has disagreed with the  
nominee's political philosophy in the past, Mr. HOLDER  
feels that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is an excellent nominee for  
the position of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 22, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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THOMAS R. BLAIR, Commissioner of Police, Buffalo Police Department, [redacted], Buffalo, New York was interviewed and advised he has been Commissioner of Police in Buffalo, New York, since April, 1973, and prior to that time had been Deputy Commissioner from 1962, and has been on the police force since 1937. He stated he has met former Governor ROCKEFELLER infrequently during the period of time when he was Governor, although he does not know the former Governor socially.

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Commissioner BLAIR advised he is a Democrat and is opposed to Mr. ROCKEFELLER for his various stands as a politician; however, he stated he does not know of anything derogatory against former Governor ROCKEFELLER as a man based on his knowledge of his character, loyalty, reputation and associates. He believes former Governor ROCKEFELLER did not abuse his office while he was Governor and stated he definitely was not prejudiced towards any racial or ethnic minority, and perhaps went out of his way to accommodate racial and ethnic minorities.

Commissioner BLAIR advised that, politically, he opposed former Governor ROCKEFELLER's programs to revise the penal law of New York State which he feels led to an increase of crime in New York State. He made it quite clear he feels former Governor ROCKEFELLER's views on the subject are of a different philosophy than Commissioner BLAIRs personally, and he certainly would not attempt to disqualify former Governor ROCKEFELLER for his personal views on this subject.

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OF LOCAL BAR ASSOCIATIONS

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted], on August 22, 1974:

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JOSEPH P. RUNFOLA, President, Erie County Bar Association, 405 Brisbane Building, Buffalo, New York, advised as follows:

Mr. RUNFOLA stated that he has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER, but he does not know him personally. He stated that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be an honorable man and very competent in foreign affairs. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER and his family, particularly through the Rockefeller Foundation, have done a considerable amount of good for this country.

Mr. RUNFOLA stated, however, that he does have a number of reservations concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER. He cited Mr. ROCKEFELLER's handling of the Attica Prison Riot in September, 1971, while he was Governor of New York State. He stated that he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER made a number of errors in this matter, one being that he refused personally to negotiate with the prisoners prior to the storming of the prison by New York State Troopers. He stated further Mr. ROCKEFELLER, while appropriating \$2½ Million for the prosecution of individuals involved in the riot, refused any appropriations for the defense of these individuals. Mr. RUNFOLA stated that he questions whether Mr. ROCKEFELLER would have handled this matter in the same way if the prisoners were predominantly white.

Mr. RUNFOLA advised that his main objection to Mr. ROCKEFELLER is that he considers the nominee to be too much of a politician and feels that he would subordinate his conscience for political ambition. Mr. RUNFOLA stated that just prior to Mr. ROCKEFELLER resigning as Governor of New York State, he designated 100 new positions equivalent to New York Supreme Court Judges to enforce the new New York State Drug Law. He stated that he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER pressured the New York State Legislature into passing the Drug Law and the judgeship positions. He stated that he believes these positions were designed primarily to increase patronage in the State of New York.

Mr. RUNFOLA also questions Mr. ROCKEFELLER's handling of domestic affairs within the State of New York, while he was Governor. He stated that the State of New York is currently in a "domestic mess" with the highest taxes in the nation. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has taken care of the poor with numerous welfare benefits, but he has forgotten the middle income group who are being "taxed to death" in the State of New York.



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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EUGENE A. HEVERON on August 22, 1974:

CHARLES F. CRIMI, Attorney, 700 Wilder Building,  
Rochester, New York, President of the Monroe County Bar  
Association, advised that he has never met nominee personally.

Mr. CRIMI, a Democrat, advised that he believes  
that nominee is a good administrator. He said that he  
thinks that nominee has become too conservative in his  
political philosophy in recent years. He commented that  
he believes nominee is very powerful and that legislators  
"bow to nominee's will," but that he feels that nominee is  
a good man.

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INTERVIEWS WITH  
POLITICAL LEADERS

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 22, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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JOSEPH F. CRANGLE, Chairman of the Democratic Party for Erie County and New York State, was interviewed at his Headquarters, 700 Genesee Building, Buffalo, New York. Mr. CRANGLE stated that he has been Democratic State Chairman since December 1, 1971 and Erie County Chairman since June 1, 1965. He stated in the course of the past decade, he has met former Governor ROCKEFELLER perhaps two dozen times, both professionally and socially, and stated that he knows of nothing derogatory concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character, loyalty, reputation or associates.

Mr. CRANGLE stated he feels nominee is capable of handling the job of Vice President of the United States based on his considerations mentioned above. However, Mr. CRANGLE stated he obviously disagrees with Mr. ROCKEFELLER's political views and stated he would not recommend him for what he termed to be obvious political differences.

Mr. CRANGLE advised he knows of no activity on the part of the former Governor which would disqualify him in a criminal or ethical sense from becoming Vice President. He further stated he does not believe former Governor ROCKEFELLER maintains any prejudices, either personally or professionally, against any racial or ethnic group; nor does he know of any relative or associate of ROCKEFELLER's that would reflect adversely on the reputation of the former Governor.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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R. GRAHAM ANNETT, Chairman of the Monroe County Republican Party, Rochester, New York, advised that he has only served in his present position for three weeks but that he has met the nominee on several occasions at receptions. Although Mr. ANNETT does not personally know the nominee, he said that nominee has a reputation for being a person of great honesty and integrity. Mr. ANNETT knows of no scandals during Mr. ROCKEFELLER's tenure of office. Mr. ANNETT said that he would like to see Mr. ROCKEFELLER serve as Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
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THOMAS MC KINNON, Erie County Chairman of the Republican Party, stated he has held this position since December 29, 1973. He advised he is also Commissioner of Erie County Park Department, having served in that capacity for two years.

MC KINNON advised he has been a Republican Committeeman for 22 years. He has attended the National Republican Conventions and has supported Mr. ROCKEFELLER in his political quests for Governor of New York State and for the Republican nomination for President of the United States.

MC KINNON stated he has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER on many occasions while serving in Albany as Secretary for the Speaker of the New York State Senate, MALCOLM WILSON, who is the present Governor of New York State. MC KINNON stated he was also appointed by ROCKEFELLER, when nominee was Governor of the State of New York to serve as New York State Athletic Commissioner.

MC KINNON advised he knows ROCKEFELLER well enough to comment on his personal character, integrity and associates and to say unequivocally that he knows of nothing derogatory in ROCKEFELLER's personal or public life.

MC KINNON advised that, politically speaking, he recommends Mr. ROCKEFELLER because of his ability as an executive, as demonstrated by his many years as Governor of New York State. MC KINNON stated he knows of nothing in Mr. ROCKEFELLER's record or character that would indicate he has any prejudice toward any ethnic or racial group.

MC KINNON said that Mr. ROCKEFELLER acted wisely during the riot at Attica Prison in September, 1971, by not capitulating to the demands of the convicted inmates, which if Mr. ROCKEFELLER had done, would have demeaned the Office of the Governor of the State of New York.

Mr. MC KINNON commented that NELSON ROCKEFELLER's sole interest in becoming a political leader was one of public service since he was already a man of considerable wealth and power.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EUGENE A. HEVERON:

— On August 23, 1974, LAWRENCE J. KIRWAN, Chairman, Democratic Committee of Monroe County, 400 Powers Building, Rochester, New York advised he has never met nominee. Mr. KIRWAN commented that he and nominee have been opponents in political matters and that he has never known nominee to be involved in any illegal or unethical campaigning.

Mr. KIRWAN advised that he is aware of nothing which would preclude nominee's suitability for the position of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted at Lockport, New York, on August 23, 1974 by Special Agents [redacted]  
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The Honorable WILLIAM E. MILLER, former Republican Party National Committee Chairman, and 1964 Republican Vice Presidential Candidate, [redacted], Lockport, New York, furnished the following information:

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Mr. MILLER has known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, the nominee, since 1958 when MILLER supported ROCKEFELLER in ROCKEFELLER's successful campaign for the Governorship of the State of New York on the Republican ticket. Mr. MILLER seconded the nomination of Mr. ROCKEFELLER for the office of President of the United States at the Republican National Convention at Miami, Florida, in 1968. Mr. MILLER described Mr. ROCKEFELLER as a man of the highest moral character, who in no way has ever displayed a lack of integrity throughout the time that Mr. MILLER has known the nominee. Mr. MILLER advised that to the best of his knowledge, Mr. ROCKEFELLER has no business interests in the Western New York area nor does he have membership either in fact or as an honorary member in any organization in Western New York. Mr. MILLER stated that to the best of his knowledge, Mr. ROCKEFELLER has never improperly profited in any way from public office and has never charged the Republican Party or the taxpayers of New York for items utilized for personal reasons. Mr. MILLER stated that in his opinion, Mr. ROCKEFELLER is one of the few holders of elective office who has in fact given more money away to the public than he has ever received through elective office.

Mr. MILLER stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER was divorced from his first wife in approximately 1962 or 1963 after a long unsuccessful marriage. Mr. MILLER stated that the nominee met his second and present wife when she worked as a volunteer in the nominee's New York State gubernatorial campaign in 1958 or 1962. Mr. MILLER has no knowledge of any improper actions of a moral or unethical nature with regard to the nominee's prior marital differences.



Mr. MILLER described the nominee as being a strong executive leader in New York State who was often open to the charge of placing the Legislative Branch subservient to the Executive Branch. Mr. MILLER, however, believes that this fact is merely a projection of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's strong leadership and is most definitely not the result of any questionable political dealings.

Mr. MILLER stated that he has heard allegations in the past that the nominee had used his influence to acquire "cheap land leases" on sections of the Adirondack Preserve for some of the nominee's friends. Mr. MILLER stated that he discussed this very question personally with the nominee and the nominee denied these allegations to Mr. MILLER. Mr. MILLER stated that in talking with numerous individuals whom he could not specifically name regarding this question, no one has ever been able to name a specific friend of the nominee's who leased such land.

Mr. MILLER characterized the nominee and the nominee's family as being of outstanding character. Mr. MILLER highly recommended the nominee for confirmation as Vice President of the United States and could offer no reason whatsoever as to why the nominee would not be fit to occupy high office.

Mr. MILLER ~~does~~ not have any knowledge of the nominee's income tax status, however, he stated that nothing has ever come to his attention to indicate that the nominee had in any way failed to pay taxes which were properly due.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Niagara Falls, New York:

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EARL W. BRYDGES, former New York State Senator, Parkway Apartments, [redacted], Niagara Falls, New York, advised he has known former New York State Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for approximately 20 years. Mr. BRYDGES stated that through his being the Majority Leader of the New York State Senate for seven years, he worked very closely with Mr. ROCKEFELLER on almost a daily basis during the legislative sessions. BRYDGES stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's abilities as a statesman are superlative and of the highest order as are his objectives and his ability to handle those objectives.

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Mr. BRYDGES stated that he knows former Governor ROCKEFELLER through these political contacts and he has had no outside business dealings with him which were not of a political nature.

Mr. BRYDGES further advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER definitely is not prejudiced in regard to any minority groups or race and his moral standards are exemplary.

Mr. BRYDGES stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is one of the greatest men he has ever known in public life and, in his opinion, is most qualified for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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INTERVIEWS WITH  
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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
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H. KENNETH SCHROEDER, JR., Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods and Goodyear, Attorneys at Law, Suite 1800, One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, New York, a Republican who was former United States Attorney, Western District of New York, Buffalo, New York, advised he has had contact with nominee on several occasions at political functions, but that he does not know the nominee personally.

Mr. SCHROEDER stated that, to his knowledge, nominee is a man of the highest character, moral standards, reputation and integrity. He commented that nominee is a loyal citizen of the United States and a long-time dedicated public servant.

Mr. SCHROEDER stated that he has no knowledge of nominee ever having done anything illegal or unethical in business, politics or Government, and that he is aware of nothing which would indicate that nominee is prejudiced against any individual or group on the basis of race, color, creed or religion.

Mr. SCHROEDER recommended nominee for the Vice Presidency of the United States as a man with considerable civic and government experience.

The following investigation was conducted at Buffalo, New York by Special Agent CHARLES B. WAGNER on August 22, 1974:

FLORIAN CARL FLIERL, an attorney and Senior Vice President of the Western New York Savings Bank, Buffalo, New York, advised that he is a registered Democrat in the State of New York. He advised that he has had no personal contact or association with the nominee, nor has he ever met Mr. ROCKEFELLER. However, he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character to be admirable. He specifically mentioned the stand taken by the nominee regarding corruption disclosed in the State Liquor Authority several years ago and the manner in which the nominee handled the problem. FLIERL stated that the nominee effectively cleaned house and corrected the situation. He said nominee has a similar record in the manner in which the New York State Department of Audit and Control was supervised in the policing of municipal expenditures. The nominee subsequently formed an excellent State Banking Department to supervise the banking industry in New York State insofar as it can be supervised by the State. The Audit and Control Department and the Banking Department maintain a very high level of professionalism, specifically in their training for the functions that they are scheduled to perform. Mr. FLIERL categorized the nominee as a very efficient and excellent administrator. He said nominee effectively maintained the integrity of the banking system.

Insofar as the nominee's associates are concerned, Mr. FLIERL stated that he is an admirer of MALCOLM WILSON, the current Governor of the State of New York, who, to his knowledge, is a close associate of the nominee. The nominee also maintained a good balance in the Court of Appeals for the State of New York, and advised that all who know him have spoken highly of him and of those with whom he associates.

Mr. FLIERL stated that he has never heard any derogatory information regarding the nominee's reputation in business, political, or personal areas, from friends or opponents. There has never been any hint of scandal concerning nominee in his personal life or his administration.

FLIERL advised that, as a lawyer, he highly admired the nominee regarding his stand in the State Liquor Authority matter.

Mr. FLIERL stated there should be no question as to the nominee's loyalty to the United States and expressed the opinion that the nominee possesses an impeccable overall evaluation on all counts. Mr. FLIERL advised that as an active member of the State Bar Association, he has never heard even the slightest hint of any derogatory information regarding the nominee.

Mr. FLIERL said that the nominee clearly has never been involved in any practices, policies or organizational membership which would reflect any form of discrimination. The State associations which the nominee has previously supervised have been very thorough in their investigation of any possible or potential discriminatory practices, and Mr. FLIERL specifically mentioned the control over discrimination by lending institutions.

In regard to property control or ownership, Mr. FLIERL advised he knows of no family interests in this regard outside of the Chase Manhattan Bank, whose Chairman of the Board is the nominee's brother, DAVID; however, he is not aware of the distribution of stock in this agency and could not comment further in this regard. FLIERL has never heard any allegation of illegal or unethical acts or practices, nor scandals, either personal or professional.

Mr. FLIERL stated that the nominee has the special ability of being a very excellent administrator, having a very ready grasp of all the intricacies or nuances of any problem, and most important, the ability to solve problems in a practical way. Mr. FLIERL advised that there are two kinds of people, those who discuss problems, and those who do something about them. He categorized the nominee as being of the latter category.

Mr. FLIERL stated that in spite of the fact that he is a loyal Party Democrat, the nominee is the person he wished to see selected as the Vice President and is, therefore, very pleased with the nomination and FLIERL highly recommends nominee for that position.

Mr. FLIERL further commented in regard to the New York State tax system, that a great many people are unhappy with the New York State tax rate established under the nominee's administration as Governor of the State of New York, but advised that compared to other States, New York State has a tremendous amount to show, specifically their road systems. The nominee's far-sighted approach to such items as the State University of New York system and the construction of the Albany campus are exceptional. Considering inflation, this construction certainly occurred at the right time; however, nevertheless, this campus construction was a political controversy because of the large expenditure of money at that time.



The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent CHARLES B. WAGNER on August 22, 1974 at Buffalo, New York:

Mr. ALBERT R. MUGEL, Attorney of the firm of Jaeckle, Fleischmann and Mugel, Attorneys at Law, 700 Liberty Bank Building, Buffalo, New York, advised that he is a Republican and he has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER; however, is not personally acquainted with him. Mr. MUGEL advised that his two partners, Mr. EDWIN JAECKLE and Mr. MANLY FLEISCHMANN, are both personally acquainted with Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. MUGEL advised that, to his knowledge, Mr. ROCKEFELLER has no close relatives in the Buffalo area; however, [redacted]

[redacted] of the firm Webster, Sheffield, Fleischmann, Hitchcock and Brookfield, [redacted] of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's. Mr. MUGEL advised that, to his knowledge, Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character is considered excellent and he is a forthright and direct person. He knows very little of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's associates, except for Mr. HITCHCOCK, Mr. JAECKLE and Mr. FLEISCHMANN, the latter two of whom are Mr. MUGEL's partners.

Mr. MUGEL emphasized that he has had very minimal social and business association with the nominee and always under very formal circumstances. He stated further that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's reputation in the professional community with which he is familiar, has always been excellent and one of admiration; and he would not consider any question in regard to Mr. ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States.

Mr. MUGEL said nominee has had no known organizational connections that would have an adverse effect on Mr. ROCKEFELLER's confirmation and stated that nominee's policies have always been strongly moral and anti-discriminatory in nature. He could not conceive of the nominee being involved in any group that would even consider a discriminatory policy. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's attitudes have been anti-discriminatory and pro-integration. He gave as an example the Fleischmann Report prepared by his partner, MANLY FLEISCHMANN, while FLEISCHMANN was an appointee of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's, which report came out strongly in favor of school integration. He has never heard any suggestion of

any illegal or unethical activities in any regard concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

Mr. MUGEL pointed out two potential scandals which occurred during Mr. ROCKEFELLER's tenure as Governor of the State of New York, both of which were handled in admirable fashion by Mr. ROCKEFELLER. One potential scandal occurred when it was alleged that one Mr. MOORHOUSE, the State Chairman of the Republican Party, was allegedly involved in improprieties involving kickbacks which MUGEL believe resulted in the conviction of Mr. MOORHOUSE. The second potential scandal involved the New York State Liquor Authority, approximately ten years ago, when disclosure was made of kickbacks in this agency in the obtaining of liquor licenses in the State of New York. As a result, Mr. ROCKEFELLER appointed a special committee to revise the State Liquor Authority and the liquor laws of the State of New York. MANLY FLEISCHMANN was a member of that committee.

Both of these problems within Mr. ROCKEFELLER's administration were vigorously pursued by the nominee when he was Governor and brought to a very satisfactory conclusion as a result of nominee's efforts.

Mr. MUGEL advised he could provide no derogatory information concerning the nominee and he would highly recommend the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States, stating that he believes him to be the best qualified candidate for this position.

Mr. EDWIN F. JAECKLE, Attorney of the firm Jaeckle, Fleischmann, and Mugel, Attorneys at Law, 700 Liberty Bank Building, Buffalo, New York, advised he is a Republican and has been personally acquainted with nominee through his association with the New York State Republican Party. Mr. JAECKLE said he has been so associated since the Dewey Campaign in 1942, and initially met the nominee in approximately 1955, when he first became interested in becoming Governor of the State of New York. Mr. JAECKLE has become very much a personal friend of the nominee and he advised that they have discussed matters of politics on numerous occasions. He has also visited at Mr. ROCKEFELLER's residence. He advised they met periodically, usually at official functions or dinners,

and he considers himself very well acquainted with the nominee, primarily in his position as a former Chairman of the Republican Party of New York State; however, he has had no official standing as such since the termination of those duties in 1948.

Mr. JAECKLE advised that he believes the nominee to be a man of very high principles, education and knowledge, and he is exceedingly honest. The nominee's reputation is one of very high regard and decency, and Mr. JAECKLE has never heard any derogatory information regarding him. Mr. JAECKLE stated he is of the personal opinion that President FORD could not have made a better choice for Vice President.

The nominee's associates are all primarily individuals such as the current Governor of New York State, MALCOLM WILSON, and all are of equal reputation and character. He knows of no derogatory information regarding any of them.

Mr. JAECKLE advised that in his own mind, there can be no question concerning the loyalty of the nominee to the United States, and he knows of no close relatives of the nominee in the Buffalo area.

Mr. JAECKLE stated that he has never had any indication of any illegal or unethical practices on the part of the nominee, and advised nominee's campaign chairman, BURDELL BIXBY, is an individual of very high moral and ethical character. The nominee is not known to have been a member of any group outside of his activities in the Republican Party and certainly he is not a member of any group which would practice any manner of discrimination.

Mr. JAECKLE advised that he has never heard of any scandals within Mr. ROCKEFELLER's administrations, or in his personal life. Mr. JAECKLE stated that the nominee possesses all the fine attributes of a chief executive, commenting that if nominee could run the complex government of New York State, he would be suited for the Presidency of the United States, and do a good job. The nominee is well skilled in politics and is considered an excellent administrator.

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Mr. JAECKLE advised that his own personal opinion is that the nominee is not only qualified for Vice President, but for President as well, and he highly recommended him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted at Buffalo, New York, by Special Agent CHARLES B. WAGNER on August 23, 1974:

HOMER H. WOODS, a Republican and an attorney with the firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods and Goodyear, Attorneys at Law, 1800 One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, New York, advised he is not personally acquainted with nominee, although WOODS was appointed to the Temporary Committee of Economic Development for the State of New York by the nominee when nominee was first elected Governor of the State of New York. He has met the nominee under very formal social circumstances while a member of the Governor's Club, which met once a year at the Governor's residence.

Mr. WOODS advised that characterwise, he knows of nothing of an unfavorable nature regarding the nominee and not having been personally acquainted with him, could not speak further in this regard.

Mr. WOODS said that the nominee is considered an honest individual with an excellent reputation and choice of associates. Mr. WOODS advised that there can be no question in regard to the nominee's loyalty to the United States and that he has never heard of any illegal or unethical activity associated with the nominee, and knows of no information that would reflect adversely on his confirmation as Vice President of the United States.

Mr. WOODS stated that, to his knowledge, the nominee has never indulged in any discriminatory practices and has been a leader against discrimination.

Mr. WOODS has never heard of any scandals, personally or professionally, regarding the nominee or his family. His general impression is that the nominee is a very able individual, however, he hopes that the nominee's excessive government spending policies can be held in check.

Mr. WOODS stated he would recommend the nominee without reservation for the position of Vice President of the United States, further stating that nominee has a tremendous amount of energy in the political arena.



DONALD C. LUBICK, a Democrat, Attorney with the firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods and Goodyear, Attorneys at Law, 1800 One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, New York, advised that he is not personally acquainted with the nominee; however, he met him on one occasion at a meeting in the Office of the Governor of New York State during early 1970, in regard to tax legislation. Mr. LUBICK said that nominee is intelligent and, to his knowledge, enjoys an excellent reputation.

Mr. LUBICK advised he has received no information whatsoever regarding any indication of illegal or unethical activity on the part of the nominee. Mr. LUBICK was appointed to the committee on New York State Elections and the only concern LUBICK ever heard voiced was the wealth of the ROCKEFELLER family, which was available to nominee for political campaigns.

Mr. LUBICK advised that he is aware of no information to indicate that nominee has been discriminatory against any group and, to LUBICK's knowledge, there have been no scandals of either a professional or personal nature concerning nominee.

Mr. LUBICK stated that the nominee has a fantastic ability to grasp difficult problems and work out good solutions. He categorized the nominee as an outstanding political leader and said if it had been he who had to make the choice for a Vice Presidential candidate, he would have picked the nominee.

Mr. LUBICK advised he would recommend the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States without reservation as being the best possible candidate for this position.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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Mr. MANLY FLEISCHMANN, Attorney, Jaeckel, Fleischmann and Mugel, Attorneys, Liberty Bank Building, 424 Main Street, Buffalo, New York, advised he was first acquainted with the nominee approximately fifteen years ago, when he was appointed by the nominee to investigate the New York State Liquor Authority and again in 1969, when he was appointed to the New York State Commission to Study Education and to fill a vacancy on the Board of Trustees at the State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York.

Mr. FLEISCHMANN advised the nominee is a man of excellent character and associations. He has no reason to doubt his loyalty to the United States Government as he has always been devoted to his job and to his country.

Mr. FLEISCHMANN also advised that he could think of no person better qualified than the nominee to serve the United States as Vice President.

Mr. [redacted], Attorney, Western New York Savings Bank, 15 Court Street, Buffalo, New York, advised he has known the nominee for approximately twenty years and during this time he has come in contact with nominee four or five times on a social basis, through the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra and Artpark, a society of the Performing Arts of Buffalo. Mr. [redacted] advised he never worked for the nominee. He said he highly respects the nominee because of his excellent character and associations and considers him to be a loyal American citizen whose sympathies lie only to the United States Government.

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Mr. [redacted] also advised the nominee has all the qualifications and abilities to serve the United States as Vice President or President, and is in hopes that his nomination will be confirmed.

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Mr. JOHN E. DICKINSON, General Partner, Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods and Goodyear, Attorneys at Law, Suite 1800, One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, New York, advised he has known the nominee for the past eight years when DICKINSON served as Vice Chairman of the Committee for Health, Housing and Social Service in 1966. Mr. DICKINSON advised the nominee is a man of tremendous capacity and dedicated to public service. He is a man of unquestionable character and his associations are of the best quality.

Mr. DICKINSON advised he considers the nominee to be a loyal American citizen whose attitude and allegiance lie only to the United States Government.

Mr. DICKINSON also advised he knows of no other person more qualified than the nominee to serve this country as Vice President or even as President, if the situation arises.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EUGENE A. HEVERON on August 22, 1974:

S. WILLIAM ROSENBERG, Attorney and Former New York State Senator, 808 Powers Building, Rochester, New York, advised as follows:

Mr. ROSENBERG was associated with the nominee during ROSENBERG's twelve years in the New York State Legislature, from 1960 to 1972. He regards the nominee as one of the finest persons he has ever met. His association with ROCKEFELLER has been social as well as professional in that he has visited, along with other members of the legislature, in nominee's home. He advised that ROCKEFELLER never offered to give favors to anyone for their support and to his knowledge, never had a conflict of interest in his political dealings. He met many times with him alone and has the highest regard for nominee. His reputation is beyond reproach and he is highly recommended by ROSENBERG for confirmation as Vice President of the United States.

On August 22, 1974, J. EUGENE GODDARD, Attorney, former member of New York State Legislature and retired Judge of Monroe County Court of Claims, Rochester, New York, , East Rochester, New York, advised as follows:

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As a former member of the New York State Legislature, GODDARD has had contact with the nominee since 1958. He was appointed by ROCKEFELLER as Court of Claims Judge in 1966 and served six years until his retirement. His main contact was through the legislature, and he remarked that although ROCKEFELLER tended to be a "liberal" while he was a "conservative," he always had the highest regard for the nominee. He stated that the nominee has an excellent reputation and is an extremely capable person. He stated that he would recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President without hesitation.

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On August 22, 1974, WILLIAM J. STEVENS, Attorney for the County of Monroe, 39 Main Street West, Rochester, New York, advised as follows:

STEVENS has had limited contact with the nominee mainly concerning legislation passed by the New York State Legislature. He was appointed to the Per Capita Commission by nominee. He remarked that he considers nominee to be beyond reproach in regard to character, associates, reputation and loyalty to the United States. Mr. STEVENS advised that he knows of no derogatory information regarding nominee and would recommend his confirmation as Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EUGENE A. HEVERON:

On August 23, 1974, THOMAS LAVERNE, Attorney, 36 West Main Street, Rochester, New York, advised he has known nominee for about fourteen years. Mr. LAVERNE said he frequently talked with nominee during the twelve years LAVERNE served as a New York State Senator.

Mr. LAVERNE said nominee is of high integrity, excellent moral character, extremely loyal toward his country, and would be trustworthy and loyal to his President. He said nominee is a very persistent, informed person, who has a great capacity for getting the right information from the right people at the right time. He further advised he is very happy the nominee is being considered for the position of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOSEPH J. CAIN:

On August 22, 1974, [REDACTED], Attorney, 1000 Crossroads Building, Rochester, New York, advised that he had one personal contact with the nominee approximately ten years ago, and that although he does not always agree with the nominee concerning his fiscal policies, he believes the nominee is a very competent person with outstanding ability in the political field. He stated that he does not know any derogatory information concerning the nominee and that he has no information to indicate that the nominee has been involved in any illegal or unethical political campaigns.

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On August 23, 1974, LEON H. STURMAN, Attorney, 44 Exchange Street, Rochester, New York, advised that nominee was a classmate of his at Dartmouth College from 1926 to 1930, and that he has seen him only at alumni gatherings and a few picnics since graduation. He said that in his opinion, the nominee has excellent character, associates, reputation and loyalty and he would highly recommend the nominee for a position of trust and confidence. Mr. STURMAN, a member of the Democratic Party, stated he believes that the nominee would put this country above politics and is above reproach in his integrity. He added that the nominee has never been involved in any illegal or unethical political campaigns.

On August 23, 1974, [REDACTED], Attorney, Lincoln First Towers, Rochester, New York, advised that he has only had personal contact with the nominee on two occasions, that he does not know any derogatory information concerning him and that he has no information to indicate that the nominee has been involved in any illegal or unethical political campaigns. He added that he has no reason to question the nominee's honesty or integrity.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA CHARLES B. WAGNER on August 26, 1974, at Buffalo, New  
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Mr. [ ] Attorney and Senior Partner  
in the firm of Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods and Goodyear,  
Attorneys at Law, 1800 One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, New York,  
advised in regard to the nomination of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER  
for the position of Vice President of the United States, that  
he could not be more pleased. Mr. [ ] advised that he has  
not been a political supporter of the nominee, inasmuch as he  
is a member of the Democratic Party; however, he knows of no  
information that could be considered detrimental or derogatory  
in nature in regard to the nominee. Mr. [ ] stated that  
he has had some personal contact with the nominee dating  
back to September, 1969, during which time [ ] as an  
attorney representing a private concern negotiating with the  
State of New York in regard to the Erie County Dome Stadium,  
was required to meet with the nominee in his position as  
Governor of the State of New York. He advised that in his  
opinion, the nominee has a strong grasp and keen understanding  
of all problems that confront him. In this particular respect,  
he advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER spent a great deal of time  
discussing the State's responsibility and the responsibilities  
of the private contractors in regard to the construction of the  
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[ ] said that nominee appeared to be totally  
impartial and had a full understanding of the problems and  
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Mr. [ ] said that throughout his association with the  
nominee, which was on a very business-like basis, and through  
his evaluation of media information, he believes the nominee to have  
maintained his independence and high degree of integrity.  
He feels the nominee is a fine choice and would recommend him  
for the position of Vice President of the United States without  
reservation. He stated he has been impressed personally with  
the nominee's obvious desire to do things which would be  
beneficial to the community. He stated he believes nominee  
has a great deal to offer the United States Government.

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Mr. [ ] stated he is not personally aware of any scandals, either professional or personal, on the part of the nominee, nor any information which would reflect derogatorily on his confirmation as Vice President. He believes nominee's reputation in the professional community to be extremely high and one which is admired. He stated he has no information which would reflect adversely on his loyalty to the United States and believes that all of his associates would be of similar fine character and integrity. Further, Mr. [ ] stated that he has never had any indication of any illegal or unethical activities on the part of the nominee and believes that he has made great strides in the field of anti-discriminatory practices.

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Mr. [ ] concluded by stating he is personally well-pleased by President FORD's choice of the nominee as Vice President of the United States.

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INTERVIEWS WITH  
BUSINESS LEADERS

The following interview was conducted during a previous background investigation of nominee in 1969:

On March 26, 1969, MARION B. FOLSOM, 106 Oak Lane, Rochester, New York, an executive of Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York, advised that he had known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER since 1941 when they first met in Washington, D. C. He advised he had frequent business contacts with ROCKEFELLER since that time. He highly recommended ROCKEFELLER as to character, associates, reputation, habits, morals and abilities and added he had no reason to question ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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MARION B. FOLSOM, 106 Oak Lane, Brighton, New York, advised that he has retired from his position as Treasurer of Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York. Mr. FOLSOM said that he has known the nominee for thirty years, and that he has a high regard for Mr. ROCKEFELLER's abilities and character. Mr. FOLSOM said he had direct professional contact with Mr. ROCKEFELLER while he, Mr. FOLSOM, was employed with the Treasury Department and while he served as Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. Mr. FOLSOM subsequently served on two New York State committees while Mr. ROCKEFELLER was Governor of New York State.

According to Mr. FOLSOM, the nominee is a loyal citizen, is outstanding in every respect, and is an ideal choice for Vice President of the United States.

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On August 22, 1974, Mr. CHARLES R. DIEBOLD, SR., President and Chief Executive Officer, First Empire State Corporation, One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, New York 14240, advised SA [ ] that he has known the nominee for approximately 20 years when he first became interested in Government and State affairs.

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Mr. DIEBOLD advised the nominee is an honest, reliable and trustworthy individual whose character is beyond reproach. He considers the nominee to be a loyal American whose attitude, allegiance and sympathies lie entirely with the United States Government.

Mr. DIEBOLD also advised the nominee is a kind, warm-hearted individual with excellent and loyal associates.

Mr. DIEBOLD further advised that he would not hesitate to recommend the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States as he feels he is highly qualified through experience and there is no job too big for him to undertake.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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Mr. SEYMOUR H. KNOX, Chairman Emeritus, Marine Midland Bank - Western, 3750 Marine Midland Center, Buffalo, New York, 14203, advised he has known the nominee for the past fourteen years. He first became acquainted with the nominee who was then Governor of New York State, when he appointed him to serve as Chairman of the New York State Council on Arts in 1960. A few years later, he was appointed by the nominee to serve as Chairman of the Board of Trustees at the State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York.

Mr. KNOX advised the nominee is a man of superior merit; honorable in principles, intentions and actions, and he has no reason to question his loyalty as his sympathies and allegiance lie only with the United States.

Mr. KNOX advised that as far as he knows, the nominee's associations are of the best quality and he has no knowledge of any membership or affiliations in groups, clubs or organizations the nominee may possess.

Mr. KNOX further advised there is no man better qualified than the nominee to serve the United States as Vice President or even President, and he would be more than happy to recommend him for such a position.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Corning, New York:

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AMORY HOUGHTON, JR., Chairman of the Board of Directors, Corning Glass Works, advised as follows:

He has been acquainted with the nominee since 1959 both in his capacity as Governor of the State of New York and as a social acquaintance. He considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be an outstanding public administrator of great ability and a person eminently qualified for the high position for which he has been nominated.

From his long association with the nominee, he knows of his own personal knowledge that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has always maintained high standards of integrity in both his public and private lives and always has had the sincerest desire to serve his state and country with honor. He considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be a wonderful choice for Vice President of the United States and personally recommends him for such position without reservation.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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On August 23, 1974, DAVID J. LAUB, Chairman of the Board, Marine Midland Bank-Western, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has known nominee for approximately 12 years in a political relationship and approximately 7 years in their association with the New York State Council on the Performing Arts. He attests to Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character and stated that he is a trustworthy, honest and straightforward individual. He feels that nominee has exhibited qualities of responsibility, reliability and moral integrity. He stated he has no reason to question the loyalty or convictions of Mr. ROCKEFELLER and said he is totally loyal to the United States.

He could not recall any instance in which nominee indicated that he held any prejudices or ill-will toward any particular group of individuals. Mr. LAUB feels very confident that Mr. ROCKEFELLER will perform his duties as Vice President in a highly competent manner and he, therefore, recommended him strongly for a position of trust with the Government.



The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Niagara Falls,  
New York:

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WILLIAM G. GISEL, President, Bell Aerospace Company, Division of Textron Inc., Niagara Falls Boulevard, Niagara Falls, New York, advised he has known former New York State Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for approximately ten years. He has the highest regard for Mr. ROCKEFELLER who has been dedicated to the people of New York State and the United States. GISEL stated Mr. ROCKEFELLER's moral standards are exemplary and he is not prejudiced against any race or minority group. His abilities as an outstanding statesman are well known.

Mr. GISEL advised that former Governor ROCKEFELLER had appointed him as Vice chairman of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA), an organization which was created by Mr. ROCKEFELLER for improving public transportation in Erie and Niagara Counties, located in Western New York.

Mr. GISEL said he was formerly a member of the Governors Club of the State of New York and through this organization associated with Mr. ROCKEFELLER and his family in New York City and at Mr. ROCKEFELLER's home.

Mr. GISEL advised that former Governor ROCKEFELLER, in his opinion, is an excellent choice for Vice President of the United States and he knows of nothing of an adverse nature concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at Niagara Falls,  
New York:

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WILLIAM H. WENDEL, President, Carborundum Company, Buffalo Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York, advised he has known former New York Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for approximately 15 years, becoming acquainted with him while he was campaigning for his first term as Governor. WENDEL stated he has much admiration for Mr. ROCKEFELLER because he had much to begin with in life but yet has dedicated most of his life to society. WENDEL further stated he knows of no prejudices which Mr. ROCKEFELLER has concerning any race or minority group and advised he is a person of the highest moral standards. He considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER's ability as a statesman and administrator outstanding. Also, if the need arose, he feels Mr. ROCKEFELLER could step into the "President's shoes" with a great deal of integrity and self-confidence.

Mr. WENDEL stated Mr. ROCKEFELLER appointed him to the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA), Niagara Falls, New York, an organization which was created by Mr. ROCKEFELLER for improving public transportation in Erie and Niagara Counties, located in Western New York. Mr. ROCKEFELLER also appointed him to the Council of the State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York. WENDEL has also associated with Mr. ROCKEFELLER in a local organization, the Society for Promotion, Unification and Redevelopment (SPUR) of Niagara Falls, New York.

Mr. WENDEL stated he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER is highly qualified to be Vice President of the United States.

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INTERVIEWS WITH  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at  
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GEORGE L. WESSEL, President, Buffalo American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) Council, 1334 Prudential Building, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has been in this position for approximately six years. Prior to being elected as President of the council, he served as Secretary-Treasurer and Business Agent for the Printing and Pressman Union, Local 27, for approximately eight years.

He advised that although he had never had any personal contact with former New York State Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, his office, on occasion, would ask for the Governor's support on New York State legislative matters.

He stated that he has never heard anything derogatory concerning former Governor ROCKEFELLER's loyalty, honesty, integrity, or reputation and in his opinion, former Governor ROCKEFELLER's character is beyond reproach. He advised that he would very favorably recommend former Governor ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at  
Buffalo, New York:

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Mr. MITCHEL FREDERICK MAZUCA, District Director of District 4, United Steel Workers of America, comprising the State of New York, 668 Main Street, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has been in his present position for approximately five years. Prior to becoming District Director, Mr. MAZUCA advised that he was a staff representative in the Central New York area for the United Steel Workers of America for approximately 23 years. He advised that although he has had no personal contact with former New York State Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, he had, on occasion, contact with the Governor's representatives through his membership on an Advisory Council for compensation which met approximately once each year.

Mr. MAZUCA stated that, in his opinion, former Governor ROCKEFELLER has always been friendly toward labor. He stated that he would favorably recommend him for the position of Vice President of the United States without any reservations as to his character, loyalty, honesty, integrity, or reputation.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] at Buffalo, New York on August 23, 1974:

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JAMES JOSEPH POWERS, Regional Director of the Civil Service Employee's Association, Incorporated, 4122 Union Road, Cheektowaga, New York, advised that he has been working in this capacity for approximately eight years. Prior to this, he held the position of field representative and presently has a total of 14 years as a staff member for this organization.

Mr. POWERS advised that in his capacity as a Regional Director, he has had no occasion to deal directly with former New York State Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, but that his Headquarters Office at 33 Elk Street, Albany, New York, is in continuous negotiations over contracts relative to State employee's benefits.

Mr. POWERS did indicate that he had the occasion of being introduced to former Governor ROCKEFELLER on one or two occasions in the past and was favorably impressed. Mr. POWERS advised that he has no reason to question the nominee's character, loyalty, reputation, honesty, or integrity. He stated that he would have no hesitation in recommending the nominee for Vice President of the United States.

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INTERVIEWS WITH RELIGIOUS  
MINORITY AND ETHNIC LEADERS



The following investigation was conducted by SA SYLVESTER B. SMITH on August 22, 1974:

Most Reverend BERNARD J. MC LAUGHLIN, Auxiliary Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, 35 Lincoln Parkway, Buffalo, New York, advised that he has no question concerning the integrity of NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER. He said the only question he has about ROCKEFELLER concerns his moral character since he took such a strong stand in favor of abortion in the State of New York while he was Governor of New York State. He said this strong stand on abortion is very disturbing to our present day society and he feels that we should have stronger moral direction than that provided by individuals favoring abortion. Additionally, he stated another thing which would reflect upon his moral character is the matter of his divorce from his first wife and his marriage to his present wife.

Bishop MC LAUGHLIN stated that he is not personally acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER and has never known him to associate with anyone of a questionable background and, to the best of his knowledge, he has maintained a good reputation in the State of New York.

Bishop MC LAUGHLIN stated that as a Governor of New York, he feels that NELSON ROCKEFELLER's fiscal policies were very poor, and that he could have directed monies in a more fruitful area instead of, for example, overbuilding of large edifices in the Albany area, which was a tremendous cost to the taxpayers of New York State.

Bishop MC LAUGHLIN states that he would have no question regarding the loyalty of NELSON ROCKEFELLER to the United States and he believes that he would uphold the Constitution of the United States in any position to which he would be nominated or appointed.

Bishop MC LAUGHLIN stated that he would recommend NELSON ROCKEFELLER favorably for a high position with the United States Government with reservations on abortion and divorce since in the latter two areas, this country needs much stronger moral leadership than ROCKEFELLER has exhibited.

Canon RICHARD J. ANDERSON, Episcopal Diocese of Buffalo, advised that he has been in the Buffalo area for approximately five years. He related that during most of that time, NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER was Governor of New York State.

He related that he has never had any question about the integrity of NELSON ROCKEFELLER and, to the best of his knowledge, he has no character traits which would be objectionable. He stated that he is aware of NELSON ROCKEFELLER's divorce, but he feels in the present day society, this appears to be a direction in which many individuals are going and he sees nothing wrong in this regard.

He related that he has never known ROCKEFELLER to associate with anyone of a questionable character and, to the best of his knowledge, he has maintained a good reputation. NELSON ROCKEFELLER has discharged his responsibilities in the highest political office of New York State always in the best interests and welfare of the state.

He stated he would have no reason to doubt ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States and knows he would uphold the Constitution of the United States under all conditions.

He stated that as Governor of New York State, NELSON ROCKEFELLER was not a popular individual in the Buffalo area since this city is composed predominantly of individuals affiliated with the Democratic Party and the citizens here feel that ROCKEFELLER could have allocated more monies to the Buffalo area than he did. He stated that regarding his political career he knows of nothing detrimental which has surfaced during the few years that he has known him as Governor of New York State.

Canon ANDERSON stated that as Governor of New York State, he always appeared to be a strong national political figure.

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Canon ANDERSON stated that it was the feeling of many citizens in the Western New York area that Governor ROCKEFELLER, during the Attica Prison uprising, did not personally appear on the scene at the prison to direct the activities during this uprising, but had delegated these responsibilities to the Department of Correction. Consequently, the citizens feel that he did not fully discharge his responsibilities as Governor during this uprising.

He stated that he would recommend NELSON ROCKEFELLER favorably for a high office with the United States Government without reservation and he feels strongly that he would uphold the United States Constitution.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOSEPH J. CAIN on August 22, 1974:

Bishop JOSEPH HOGAN, Catholic Diocese of Rochester, 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, New York, advised that he has never had any personal contact with the nominee, that he does not know any derogatory information concerning him, and that he has no information to indicate that the nominee has been involved in any illegal or unethical political campaigns. He added that he has no further comment to make concerning the nominee.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOSEPH J. CAIN on August 22, 1974:

ELMER LEWIS, Chairman, Jewish Community Federation,  
440 East Main Street, Rochester, New York, advised that he has  
never had any personal contact with the nominee, that he does  
not know any derogatory information concerning him, and he has  
no information to indicate that the nominee has been involved in  
any illegal or unethical political campaigns.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOSEPH J. CAIN on August 22, 1974:

Rabbi [REDACTED], Temple B'Rith Kodlesh, 2131  
Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, New York advised that he has  
never had any personal contact with the nominee, that he does  
not know any derogatory information concerning him, and he has  
no information to indicate that the nominee has been involved in  
any illegal or unethical political campaigns.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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On August 22, 1974, Reverend JOHN MONROE, Pastor, New Hope Baptist Church, 264 East Utica Street, advised that he has been in personal contact with NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER on several occasions through the years, that he has worked for him as a political supporter, and that he regards him to be a close friend. Reverend MONROE pointed out that although he and ROCKEFELLER are members of the same political party, he is not greatly influenced by political affiliation. He said he supports candidates for election on the basis of their merit and qualifications.

Reverend MONROE stated ROCKEFELLER is a person of high ideals, of sterling character, and one whose integrity is beyond reproach. He stated that ROCKEFELLER has proven himself in Government as a highly capable administrator and that he has maintained a good history in directing programs favorable to minority groups. In this regard, Reverend MONROE stated that ROCKEFELLER is one who will serve all persons all of the time and that he has the highest personal regard and respect for ROCKEFELLER. He stated that it is his evaluation that the majority of the Negro population will enthusiastically support ROCKEFELLER as Vice President of the United States.

Reverend MONROE advised that he considers ROCKEFELLER to have maintained the finest of personal associates throughout the years and that he is without question a loyal citizen of the United States.



The following investigation was conducted by  
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On August 22, 1974, RAPHAEL DUBARD, Equal Employment Specialist, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, One West Genesee Building and First Vice President, New York State National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), advised he has met NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER on several occasions at special conferences while ROCKEFELLER served as Governor in connection with problems concerned with minority groups. In addition, DUBARD advised that he has met ROCKEFELLER at several NAACP meetings at which time both of them served as meeting speakers. DUBARD advised that he is a political supporter of ROCKEFELLER and that they have the same political affiliation. DUBARD stated that ROCKEFELLER is a person of high ideals and one whose integrity is beyond reproach.

DUBARD stated he considers ROCKEFELLER to be highly capable as an administrator, that he is completely responsible in every respect, and that he is sufficiently aggressive in pursuing his high ideals. DUBARD advised that ROCKEFELLER represents a very high quality of life and that he will serve as he had done in the past, all people on an equal basis.

DUBARD stated that ROCKEFELLER maintained the finest of personal associates throughout his political years, and that he would recommend him highly for any position in Government. DUBARD stated he regards ROCKEFELLER to be without question, a loyal citizen of the United States.

DUBARD said it is his opinion that NELSON ROCKEFELLER will be supported by the majority of the Black population. He pointed out that very recently the President of the New York State Chapter of the NAACP had given his support to ROCKEFELLER.

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
[redacted] at Rochester, New York, on August 22, 1974:

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RAYMOND SCOTT, President, FIGHT, Inc., 14  
Lamberton Park, Rochester, New York, advised that the name  
of his organization stands for Freedom, Integration, God,  
Hope and Today, and that it is dedicated to the interests of the  
Black people of the United States. SCOTT stated that  
he does not know NELSON ROCKEFELLER personally, but did meet  
him during a town meeting at Rochester, New York, in 1972.  
SCOTT stated he believes ROCKEFELLER to be a loyal American  
citizen, of good character with the ability to be Vice President  
of the United States.

SCOTT stated, however, he believes ROCKEFELLER  
made an error in judgement during the Attica Prison rebellion  
in September, 1971. SCOTT stated that he was a member of the  
Observers Committee during the rebellion and feels ROCKEFELLER  
was wrong in that he did not personally go to Attica and that  
this cost 42 lives. He said that in subsequent prison rebellions,  
state governors have personally gone to the prisons and he  
feels this has prevented the loss of lives. SCOTT said he  
realizes that everyone makes mistakes, but in the Attica matter,  
he is disturbed by the fact that ROCKEFELLER did not admit  
his mistake.

SCOTT further stated that he feels ROCKEFELLER made  
errors in the manner in which he handled the indictments  
resulting from the Attica Prison rebellion. He said while the  
State of New York spent \$3 million on the indictments, ROCKEFELLER  
would not provide any State funds for the defense of the  
indicted inmates. SCOTT also said that following the indictments,  
the indicted inmates were placed in solitary confinement, where  
they have remained despite appeals to the Governor.

SCOTT advised that he feels ROCKEFELLER made  
the aforementioned errors because he is politically motivated  
and for this reason, he would be uncomfortable with  
ROCKEFELLER as Vice President of the United States.

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JAMES MC CULLER, Executive Director, Action For A Better Community, 244 South Plymouth Avenue, Rochester, New York, advised that he has met NELSON ROCKEFELLER, but does not know him personally. He said he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a warm individual and, although he knows of nothing about ROCKEFELLER's character which should preclude him from becoming Vice President of the United States, he feels ROCKEFELLER made a judgment error in not going to Attica Prison during the rebellion there in 1971.

MC CULLER further advised that because of ROCKEFELLER's wealth, he does not feel he can empathize with the average American. He said he believes ROCKEFELLER to be a loyal American citizen, and any misgivings he has about ROCKEFELLER would be based on nominee's judgement rather than his character.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA SYLVESTER B. SMITH on August 22, 1974:

CASIMIR LOTARSKI, Chairman and National Official of the Polish National Alliance which covers 36 states and has approximately 400,000 Polish members, [redacted] Buffalo, New York 14215, advised that NELSON ROCKEFELLER is of excellent character and he considers his character to be beyond reproach. He related that he would have no reason to question his integrity concerning any of his political endeavors in the past.

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He related that NELSON ROCKEFELLER had been responsible for the passage of high tax bills in the State of New York, however, he feels these monies were utilized for improvements and to enhance the image of New York State.

He considers NELSON ROCKEFELLER to be a great American and he has always maintained an excellent reputation. LOTARSKI advised that he is of the same political affiliation as is ROCKEFELLER but he has never been given any position or anything else by ROCKEFELLER; therefore, he owes no obligation to him, but he sincerely feels that he has been a great administrator in the State of New York.

He related that he has met NELSON ROCKEFELLER on many campaign tours through Buffalo and this has been mainly in the political arena. He has always been impressed by Governor ROCKEFELLER's conduct.

He stated that he has never known [redacted] him to associate with anyone of a questionable character and it appears to him that ROCKEFELLER has always appointed political associates who have always complimented his political operations.

LOTARSKI advised that he has never known NELSON ROCKEFELLER to discriminate against any ethnic group. He has been in the past invited to many of the Polish activities and at no time did he exhibit any type of discrimination against any ethnic group, to the best of his knowledge.

He stated that NELSON ROCKEFELLER, to the best of his knowledge, and from what he has exhibited as the Governor of New York State, would be capable of handling any high office in the United States and he recommends him for any such position without reservation.

STANLEY BOLAS, Commissioner of Central Police Services, Erie County, New York, Rath Building, who is of the same political affiliation as is Governor ROCKEFELLER, and who is a member of Polish Fraternal Organizations, advised that NELSON ROCKEFELLER has always been of good character, has maintained an excellent reputation and he personally is not acquainted with any of his associates but has never known him to associate with anyone of questionable character.

He stated that there are over 250,000 Polish people in the Buffalo area and he has never known NELSON ROCKEFELLER to discriminate in any way against the Polish community or any other ethnic organization.

He stated that NELSON ROCKEFELLER, during his political career as Governor of New York State, has demonstrated that he is a loyal American and he feels he would uphold the Constitution of the United States under any circumstances.

He stated that he would recommend NELSON ROCKEFELLER for any high office in the United States without any reservation.

KAROL TOMASZEWSKI, an active leader in the Polish Veterans Organization in Buffalo, New York, and a member of the Democratic Party, [redacted], Buffalo, New York, advised that there are approximately 300,000 Polish people in the Buffalo area. He stated that NELSON ROCKEFELLER appears to him to be of good character. He stated that ROCKEFELLER was divorced and that this is his own personal affair and he could see nothing wrong in this action. To the best of his knowledge, TOMASZEWSKI stated that he has never heard of anything detrimental to NELSON ROCKEFELLER's reputation.

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Additionally, he has never known him to associate with anyone of questionable character.

He stated that NELSON ROCKEFELLER, to the best of his knowledge, has never discriminated against any ethnic organization and, as Governor, he had been invited to attend some of the Polish functions and had accepted the invitations. He recalled one such occasion when ROCKEFELLER was an honorary guest during the Pułaski Parade and ROCKEFELLER had made it a point to stop and congratulate Mr. TOMASZEWSKI on having such a fine Polish Veterans Unit in the parade.

TOMASZEWSKI stated that as Governor of New York State, he feels that ROCKEFELLER administered well.

He stated that he considers NELSON ROCKEFELLER to be a loyal American and that, from his long political career as Governor of New York State, he appears to be a dedicated and loyal American and he feels that he would uphold the Constitution under any conditions. He said he would recommend him favorably for any high office in the United States Government without reservation.

It should be noted that Mr. TOMASZEWSKI was contacted on August 23, 1974.

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RECORDS REGARDING TAX LIENS  
AND PROPERTY OWNERSHIP



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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 23, 1974, at Buffalo, New York:

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A review of the Grante's Index Land Deeds for Erie County, New York, at the Erie County Clerk's Office, Buffalo, New York, from 1930 to present revealed no property record for NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER. A review of tax liens for Erie County was also negative for ROCKEFELLER.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOHN R. PEARSON, III, at Rochester, New York, on August 22, 1974:

[ ] Monroe County Clerk of Courts Office, advised after searching records maintained at her office, that there are no judgements or tax liens on file against NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER.

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[ ] of the same office, after searching records under her control, advised that nominee owns no property in Monroe County.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE OF CASE <b>NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT P. GEMBERLING</b>	TYPED BY <b>pc</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SPECIAL INQUIRY</b>	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype to Dallas dated 8/22/74.

## ADMINISTRATIVE

The antitrust investigation referred to in this report is captioned "SABRE-PINON CORPORATION; WESTWATER CORPORATION; QUINTA CORPORATION; BLACK JACK CORPORATION, ANTITRUST, Dallas File 60-297, Bufile 60-4826."

Bureau letter to Dallas dated 10/2/63, captioned "THE ROCKEFELLER-UNITED NUCLEAR CASE; [REDACTED] - [REDACTED]; INFORMATION CONCERNING; RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS), Bufile [REDACTED] Dallas File [REDACTED], in the

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first paragraph of Page 1 states, "You have previously advised that [ ] has been described by one businessman as suffering from a mental disorder, and that LEWIS STRAUSS, former head of the Atomic Energy Commission against whom [ ] has made many allegations, has ventured his opinion that [ ] is emotionally unstable."

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The review of Dallas files concerning [ ] fails to reflect an interview with LEWIS STRAUSS wherein he commented as indicated above. For this reason, no mention of such statement is included in the details of this report. The Bureau may desire to recheck its files to determine the original source of such information from STRAUSS and if warranted, include same in this report before it is disseminated.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

Report of: ROBERT P. GEMBERLING  
Date: 8/26/74

Office: Dallas, Texas

Field Office File #: 161-922

Bureau File #: 161-6197

Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: [redacted], Attorney, Dallas, Texas, appeared at the Dallas, FBI Office and stated that if ROCKEFELLER is nominated Vice President, he would personally protest and if need be "shake the rafters" in Washington, D. C. [redacted] has made various types of complaints to the FBI since 1940, and has submitted numerous nebulous letters of complaints to various government officials and government agencies. During the course of an anti-trust investigation conducted by the FBI in 1958, based on a complaint by [redacted], a businessman described him as a prolific letter writer.

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DETAILS: AT DALLAS, TEXAS

On August 9, 1974, [redacted] Attorney, Dallas, Texas, appeared at the Dallas FBI Office and was interviewed by SA [redacted]. [redacted] stated the FBI should immediately inform President FORD that if NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER is nominated Vice President of the United States, the country would again be in a situation similar to Watergate. He stated to prevent this President FORD should not nominate ROCKEFELLER, as he and the rest of the ROCKEFELLER family have been involved in a huge fraud. [redacted] continued that if ROCKEFELLER is appointed Vice President of the United States, he would personally protest the appointment and if need be "shake the rafters" in Washington, D. C.

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[redacted] made available a copy of a 7-page letter addressed to Honorable EDWARD BROOKE, United States Senate, dated June 4, 1974, and a copy of a 27-page letter to the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D. C., Attention: Mr. ROY GARRETT, JR., Chairman, from [redacted].

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[redacted] Both of these letters related to the merger of the United Nuclear Corporation with Sabre-Pinon Corporation. in 1961, and took the view that the Securities and Exchange Commission is acting to protect the ROCKEFELLER Foundation. He indicated he has furnished correspondence to various Government officials and that EARL GOLZ, investigative reporter of "The Dallas Morning News," receives copies of his correspondence and plans to expose the entire issue in his newspaper in the near future.

On August 12, 1974, [redacted] again appeared at the Dallas FBI Office and made available a copy of a letter addressed to The Honorable William Scranton, The White House, dated August 12, 1974. In this letter [redacted] again indicated his displeasure with the ROCKEFELLER empire.

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There follows a copy of the letter to the Honorable WILLIAM SCRANTON, The White House, Washington, D. C.

[REDACTED]  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
TOWER PETROLEUM BUILDING  
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201

August 12, 1974

Honorable William Scranton  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Governor Scranton:

If Nelson Rockefeller be nominated for the vice-presidency, there will be unshirted hell in the Congressional hearings concerning his qualifications - and rightly so.

The Rockefeller Empire is divided between (1) those who travel the high road, and (2) those who travel the low road.

Those who travel the high road purport to know nothing about those who do the dirty work - even after the attention of the "high roaders" is invited to such a tremendous fraud and swindle as the Sabre-Pinon, United Nuclear merger, wherein my family was defrauded out of millions of dollars. For instantaneous corroboration, examine the Preliminary Prospectus of the United Nuclear Corporation filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 28, 1961. The Rockefeller Empire was instrumental in converting this liability into control of the Sabre-Pinon Corporation, which owned some of the greatest uranium deposits in the United States. Confirm this with Mr. [REDACTED], F.B.I., Dallas. In addition, I shall testify to the facts should Rockefeller be nominated,

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You, of course, are under an affirmative and immediate duty to advise the President. Please do this at once, in order to avoid any unnecessary embarrassment to his administration.

Also, please see the enclosed letter of August 2, 1974, to the Securities and Exchange Commission which reports a small segment of this fraud, which transcends Watergate, Equity Funding and the Home-Stake oil swindle.

THIS COUNTRY HAD ENOUGH OF THE "CLOSED-EYE TECHNIQUE" UNDER NIXON.

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Respectfully yours,  
[REDACTED]

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cc: Mr. Earl Golz, Investigative Reporter  
The Dallas Morning News, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. [REDACTED], F.B.I., Dallas, Texas. ✓



[ ] has been contacting the Dallas FBI Office since 1940, with various types of complaints. He has also written numerous nebulous letters of complaint to various government officials and government agencies. In 1958-1959, the FBI conducted an anti-trust investigation on the basis of a complaint by [ ] concerning the merger of other corporations with the Sabre-Pinon Corporation of which [ ] was then a stockholder. The results of that investigation were furnished to the Anti-trust Division of the Department of Justice, and no additional investigation was requested.

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In 1963, [ ] personally delivered to the Dallas FBI Office a copy of a 50-page letter dated March 2, 1963, from [ ] to Mr. LAURANCE S. ROCKEFELLER, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, New York, captioned "Request for the Truth" which had a cover page captioned "Questions for Mr. LAURANCE S. ROCKEFELLER to Answer Concerning the United Nuclear-Sabre Merger." He also made available a copy of a 7-page memorandum having a cover page captioned "The ROCKEFELLER-United Nuclear Case" dated September 18, 1963.

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The aforementioned letter and memorandum were vague in nature and contained [ ]'s objections as well as questions regarding the merger of United Nuclear Corporation with Sabre-Pinon Corporation in 1961. [ ] claimed the merger decreased the value of Sabre-Pinon stock. Copies of the aforementioned letter and memorandum were reported to have been forwarded to various high governmental officials.

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During the course of the aforementioned 1958 anti-trust investigation a businessman described [ ] as a prolific letter writer who has caused a great deal of embarrassment to the Sabre-Pinon Corporation.

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"Therefore, this office will appreciate it a great deal if you will call this information to the personal attention of Mr. J. EDGAR HOOVER."

On July 21, 1958, the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice requested [redacted] and his brother, [redacted], be interviewed concerning the various charges they had made regarding Sabre-Pinon Corporation, Westwater Corporation, Quinta Corporation and Black Jack Corporation.

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On August 6 and 7, 1958, [redacted], who was a stockholder and director of Sabre-Pinon Corporation, was interviewed. He alleged proposed mergers of Quinta Corporation and Black Jack Corporation with Sabre-Pinon violated antitrust laws in that mergers tend to create monopoly and lessen competition in the uranium industry. [redacted] stated he could furnish no other information than that furnished by [redacted].

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The interview of [redacted] on August 6 and 7, 1958, was extremely difficult in that [redacted] was so upset with the manner in which Sabre-Pinon Corporation was operated and reportedly dominated by R. D. BOKUM, II that he would go into tirades denouncing BOKUM. He wanted BOKUM, as well as others, under his control, removed from the corporation, and was of the opinion BOKUM was using his various offices for his own gain rather than that of the stockholders.

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Also during the interview of [redacted], he mentioned he had received a telephone call from [redacted], a director of Sabre-Pinon Corporation, from New York during which conversation [redacted] stated in substance, "It is going to be either you or me",

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meaning [ ] or [ ] [ ] stated [ ] was not believed to have actually stated he would kill [ ], but [ ] stated he knew that is what [ ] meant. This occurred during disagreements regarding the operation of Sabre-Pinon Corporation.

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It should be noted that [ ] is apparently identical to [ ] who allegedly threatened to kill [ ] as previously set forth in this report.

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At the time of interview of [ ] on August 6 and 7, 1958, he stated at the time the above alleged threat was received, he would not under any circumstances have taken any action because his mother was there, is subject to heart attacks, and any publicity would probably have been fatal to her.

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Following the interview of [ ] in the above-mentioned antitrust matter, the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice on October 10, 1958, requested specific investigation concerning his complaints. The Antitrust Division pointed out that in 1956, [ ] made a series of complaints to the Department of Justice as well as to numerous other officials of the Federal Government, including the White House, the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC), the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and several congressional committees. The import of his somewhat nebulous complaint at that time had to do with the activities of the AEC and certain of its officials, including its former Chairman, Admiral LEWIS L. STRAUSS, which [ ] charged were tending to bring about a monopoly in the field of atomic energy. [ ] complained that the AEC

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had required that Sabre-Pinon Corporation, a company in which [ ] held a minority stock interest, merge with American Metal Company, a company in which Admiral STRAUSS had a financial interest, in order to secure a production contract with the AEC in the uranium field. Mr. [ ] also charged that American Metal Company was part of an international cartel in the uranium field and further through its contracting policy, the AEC was assisting American Metal in fostering a monopoly in the field of atomic energy.

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The Antitrust Division requested representatives of the Department of Justice contact officials of AEC in order to secure information which would tend to shed some light on the antitrust charges of [ ]. The information secured from the AEC as to the importance of American Metal and Sabre-Pinon in the atomic energy field did not appear to bear out the broadcharges of monopoly made by [ ].

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The Antitrust Division advised the proposed merger transaction contemplated by American Metal and Sabre-Pinon fell through during the latter part of 1956 and there were indications that another somewhat similar proposal between Sabre-Pinon and Homestate Mining was substituted in place of previous arrangements. The Antitrust Division advised at this point the communications from [ ] ceased, at least insofar as those which were forwarded to the Antitrust Division.

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In 1958 the Antitrust Division pointed out that during the previous several months, a new series of complaints had been received from [ ] and these complaints had been supplemented by others from his brother, [ ]. Such complaints appeared to

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involve a proposed merger between Sabre-Pinon and three other companies, an entirely different matter than that complained of earlier.

On October 29, 1958, [redacted], an officer and director of the Sabre-Pinon Corporation, Bokum Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico, when interviewed in connection with the forgoing mentioned antitrust investigation, voluntarily advised that [redacted] is a stockholder in the Sabre-Pinon Corporation and he has been a constant source of trouble to the officers and directors of the corporation because of his constant complaints as to the way the business affairs of the corporation are being handled. He advised [redacted]'s complaints were numerous and that he, in fact, complained about almost everything the officers and directors attempted to do. He advised most of the complaints were concerning the exploration and development of uranium properties and insisted the corporation do exploration and development work. He stated this was an impossibility because of lack of funds. Mr. [redacted] stated he is a mining engineer and many of the things [redacted] wanted the corporation to do were not practical from a mining standpoint. Mr. [redacted] expressed the opinion that [redacted] complained mainly because he wanted to run the corporation himself and the other officials and directors would not permit him to do so.

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On October 31, 1958, RICHARD D. BOKUM, II, Bokum Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico, when interviewed in connection with the forgoing antitrust investigation, voluntarily advised that [redacted] is a stockholder in the Sabre-Pinon Corporation and he has been a constant source of trouble to officers and directors of the corporation ever since he acquired his stock.

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Mr. BOKUM stated that [ ] had done some legal work for the corporation and requested payment of his fees in stock and this was done. Immediately after acquiring the stock, [ ] complained about the way the corporation was being operated, and in an effort to stop these complaints and keep [ ] happy, he (BOKUM) told him he would attempt to have him elected a director of the corporation. BOKUM stated at the time he told [ ] that the only thing he asked was that [ ] work with the other directors for the best interest of the corporation. He stated thereafter [ ] constantly complained of the way the business affairs of the corporation were handled and because of the complaints, [ ] was removed as a director.

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Mr. BOKUM stated [ ]'s principal complaint appeared to be that he expected the corporation to do all the exploration and development work on its uranium property and this was an impossibility because the corporation did not have sufficient funds for this work.

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Mr. BOKUM stated he is certain [ ]'s complaint was only because [ ] wanted to "run the corporation himself" and was not allowed to do so.

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On November 3, 1958, J. E. BROSSEAU, President of the Westwater Corporation, Bokum Building, Santa Fe, New Mexico, when interviewed in connection with the foregoing mentioned antitrust investigation, voluntarily advised that he was aware that [ ] had been a source of trouble to the officers and directors of the Sabre-Pinon Corporation. He advised he knows [ ] has continually complained about the way the business of the corporation was handled; however, he did not know the reasons for the complaints or the exact nature of the complaints. He stated that due to his close association

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with RICHARD D. BOKUM, II, President of the Sabre-Pinon Corporation, he knows that BOKUM has spent much time and effort in obtaining necessary financing for Sabre-Pinon Corporation, and [ ] has appeared to oppose everything BOKUM has attempted to do.

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On November 14, 17, and 18, 1958, [ ] Partner, Kuhn, Loeb and Company, 30 Wall Street, New York City, when interviewed in connection with the foregoing mentioned antitrust investigation, voluntarily advised that [ ] had, since approximately 1956, caused a great deal of trouble for the Sabre-Pinon Corporation in negotiations to get a company to develop, mine, construct, and operate a uranium processing mill. He stated that at one time the American Metal Company had been interested, but before final negotiations were completed in 1956, [ ] had "scared them off" through legal action.

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PATTON advised that [ ] is a prolific letter writer and with this and the fact that he is inclined to misinterpret information obtained orally and in writing has caused a great deal of embarrassment, delay and expense to the Sabre-Pinon Corporation. [ ] advised that [ ] was elected to the Board of Directors of the Sabre-Pinon Corporation and agreed to cease his letter writing to various people, organizations, and Government agencies, but shortly thereafter his brother, [ ] started writing letters to similar people, organizations, and Government agencies.

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[ ] mentioned that [ ]'s letter to him dated July 22, 1956, indicated that he [ ] was plotting to murder [ ]. [ ]

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stated that this was "untrue, unfounded, and ridiculous."

On December 9, 1958, [ ] directed a letter to Mr. VICTOR R. HANSEN, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. enclosing a photostat copy of a letter written by Mr. [ ], referred to by [ ] as "one of the most illustrious citizens of the State of Texas." In this letter [ ] stated, "If you doubt Mr. [ ]'s status in this state, kindly telephone Senator LYNDON JOHNSON and ascertain the facts." [ ] concluded his letter by stating, "It is appalling to note the lengths to which the Justice Department has gone to protect Wall Street interests and a party close to the present administration."

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The Antitrust Division, after receipt of the foregoing letter from [ ], requested [ ] be interviewed in the above referred to antitrust investigation.

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On January 15, 1959, [ ], Attorney, 3400 Republic Bank Building, Director of several firms and a Sabre-Pinon stockholder, advised he had no knowledge of the extent Sabre-Pinon and Black Jack Corporation engaged in interstate commerce or competed with each other. He stated on this occasion he had known [ ] for 20 years and regarded him as a man of integrity and ability. He stated [ ] is a Phi Beta Kappa member and lead his law school class in scholastics, graduating with honors.

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On February 28, 1962, [ ] telephonically contacted the Dallas FBI Office requesting an agent contact him personally. He refused to relate any information over the telephone.

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On March 1, 1962, [ ] was contacted at which time he stated he prematurely requested an Agent contact him when the matter actually concerned the SEC. [ ] stated he contacted a Mr. ASTON of the SEC and that agency plans to confer with United States Attorney BAREFOOT SANDERS in the near future.

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On October 12, 1962, a copy of a letter bearing letterhead of [ ] dated October 11, 1962, addressed to the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas, Texas, was received by the Dallas FBI Office. This letter stated, "Parties in this office would like for you to advise, in writing, if R11-3376 and R11-3377 are being tapped." This copy of the letter bore signature [ ]"

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On October 24, 1962, a copy of another letter bearing same letterhead and dated October 22, 1962, addressed to the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas, Texas, was received by the Dallas FBI Office. This letter stated, "I call your attention to my letter of October 11, 1962, which reads as follows: "'Parties in this office would like for you to advise, in writing, if R11-3376 and R11-3377 are being tapped.'"

"Kindly advise in writing."

This copy of this letter did not bear a signature.

On September 18, 1963, [ ] advised the Dallas FBI Office he had information of great importance which he desired to transmit through the FBI to the appropriate Federal agency. He stated the matter involved mail fraud as well as violations of law under the jurisdiction of the SEC and the Treasury

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Department. When [ ] was advised that such matters were not within the investigative jurisdiction of the FBI and it was suggested that such information be forwarded by him directly to the agency concerned, he demanded he be afforded the right of a citizen to furnish such information to the FBI for referral to the appropriate agency. He stated he would deliver the material to the Dallas FBI Office on September 20 or 23, 1963.

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On September 23, 1963, [ ] personally delivered to the Dallas FBI Office a copy of a 50-page letter dated March 2, 1963, from [ ] to Mr. LAURANCE S. ROCKEFELLER, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, New York, captioned "Request for the Truth" which bore a cover page captioned "Questions for Mr. LAURANCE S. ROCKEFELLER to Answer Concerning the United Nuclear-Sabre Merger", as well as a copy of a seven-page memorandum bearing a cover page captioned "The Rockefeller-United Nuclear Case" dated September 18, 1963. The first page began with "I. JURISDICTION".

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Copies of the 50-page letter were to be disseminated to the following:

Honorable JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States;  
Honorable LYNDON B. JOHNSON, Vice-President of the United States;  
Honorable ROBERT F. KENNEDY, Attorney General of the United States;  
Mr. JOHN A. GRONOUSKI, Postmaster General of the United States;  
Mr. HAROLD V. LESE, Chief Counsel, Securities and Exchange Commission;

Commissioner BYRON D. WOODSIDE, Securities  
and Exchange Commission;  
Commissioner WILLIAM L. CARY, Securities and  
Exchange Commission (SEC);  
Commissioner J. ALAN FREAR, JR., SEC;  
COMMISSIONER MANUEL F. COHEN, SEC;  
Commissioner JACK M. WHITNEY, II, SEC.

Copies of the seven-page memorandum described  
previously were to be disseminated to the following:

The President of the United States;  
Vice-President of the United States;  
Attorney General of the United States;  
Postmaster General of the United States;  
Chief Counsel, Division of Corporation Finance, SEC;  
SEC.

A review of the above-described 50-page letter  
and seven-page memorandum indicated they were vague in nature  
and contained [ ]'s objections as well as questions  
regarding the merger of United Nuclear Corporation with  
Sabre-Pinon Corporation in 1961. [ ] claimed the  
merger decreased the value of Sabre-Pinon stock.

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[ ] directed a letter to the Dallas FBI  
office dated September 27, 1963, referring to "The  
Rockefeller-United Nuclear Case" with copies of such  
letter disseminated to the following:

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The President of the United States;  
The Vice-President of the United States;  
The Attorney General of the United States;  
FBI, Washington, D. C..

[redacted] directed another letter to the Dallas FBI Office dated October 8, 1963, referring to "The Rockefeller-United Nuclear Case" with copies of such letter designated for the FBI at Washington, D.C.

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On October 11, 1963, the 50-page letter and 7-page memorandum furnished by [redacted] on September 23, 1963, were returned to him by the Dallas Office of the FBI by registered mail, return receipt requested pointing out to him that the FBI does not, as a matter of policy, forward mail.

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On October 24, 1963, [redacted], brother of [redacted], directed a letter to the Dallas FBI Office referring to "The Rockefeller-United Nuclear Investigation" which letter enclosed a copy of an item from the Wall Street Journal on September 23, 1957, captioned "Sabre-Pinon Expects Profit in Latter Half of 1958." A copy of this letter was designated for the FBI, Washington, D.C.

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On October 25, 1963, [redacted] directed a letter to Mr. H. B. MONTAGUE, Chief Postal Inspector, Post Office Department, Washington, D.C. referring to "The Rockefeller-United Nuclear Case" with copies of such letter designated for the following:

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The President of the United States;  
Vice-President of the United States;  
Attorney General of the United States;  
Honorable JOE POOL, MC.;  
Securities and Exchange Commission;  
FBI.

On November 11, 1963, [ ] directed a letter to Mr. [ ], Complaint Specialist, SEC, Washington, D. C., referring to "The Rockefeller-United Nuclear Investigation Request" with copies of such letter designated for the following:

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Senator JOHN TOWER, United States Senate,  
Washington, D. C.;  
Senator WAYNE MORSE, U. S. Senate,  
Washington 25, D. C.;  
Senator JOHN WILLIAMS, U. S. Senate,  
Washington 25, D. C.;  
Honorable WRIGHT PATMAN, House of Represent-  
atives, Washington 25, D. C.;  
Mr. KENNETH O'DONNELL, Secretary to Presi-  
dent KENNEDY, the White House, Washing-  
ton 25, D. C.;  
Mr. PIERRE SALLINGER, Press Secretary to  
President KENNEDY, the White House,  
Washington 25, D. C.;  
Mrs. EVELYN N. LINCOLN, Personal Secretary  
to President KENNEDY, the White House,  
Washington 25, D. C.

On November 12, 1963, [ ] directed another letter to Mr. [ ], supra, referring to "The Rockefeller-United Nuclear Investigation Request." This letter commences in the next to last paragraph with the following paragraph:

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"IS A GROSSLY INADEQUATE CONSIDERATION INDICATIVE OF THE POSSIBILITY OR THE PROBABILITY OF THE CONCEALMENT OF MATERIAL FACTS WARRANTING AND REQUIRING AN INVESTIGATION BY THE COMMISSION TO ASCERTAIN WHY THE ABNORMAL AND GROSSLY INADEQUATE CONSIDERATION EXISTS? IN YOUR REPLY YOU WILL KINDLY ANSWER THIS QUESTION CLEARLY AND FULLY, FREE OF ANY EVASION, EQUIVOCATION, OR AMBIGUITY."

On August 13, 1974, [ ] directed a handwritten letter to SA [ ] of the Dallas FBI Office dated August 12, 1974, which is quoted as follows:

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"Your investigation should reflect and answer the questions, why did the ROCKEFELLER merger, after being contemptuous of R. M. NIXON, become his ardent supporter - a question raised by an article in the 'New York Times'".

"Was the support tied into the dismissal of this cataclysmic tax claim? If not, what fact caused this 180 degree change in attitude? [ ]".

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Enclosed with the above handwritten letter was a copy of a letter dated July 9, 1973, from [ ] to Mr. [ ], Regional Inspector, Internal Revenue Service (IRS), 1315 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, concerning "The ROCKEFELLER EMPIRE Scandal; Dismissal of Cataclysmic Tax Liability; Audit Division - Baltimore, Maryland; DIR-BAL-1584....210:11:EEW." Copies of this letter were designated for the following:

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Honorable SPIRO AGNEW, Vice-President of the United States and the following U. S. Senators:

Honorable JOHN TOWER  
Honorable LLOYD BENTSEN  
Honorable SAM ERVIN  
Honorable LOWELL WIECKER, JR.  
Honorable PHILIP HART  
Honorable HAROLD HUGHES  
Honorable GAYLORD NELSON  
Honorable CHARLES McC. MATHIAS, JR.

Honorable HOWARD BAKER, JR.  
Honorable HERMAN TALMADGE  
Honorable DANIEL K. INOWYE  
Honorable ALAN CRANSTON  
Honorable J. W. FULBRIGHT  
Honorable HUGH SCOTT  
Honorable HENRY JACKSON  
Honorable WILLIAM PROXMIRE  
Honorable BIRCH BAYH

The last line on Page 2 of this letter indicates copies were also sent to certain congressmen, but the page containing the listing of such congressmen was not furnished by [REDACTED].

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Also enclosed with the above letter to SA [REDACTED] was a copy of a letter dated September 24, 1973, from [REDACTED] to Mr. EMANUEL M. SCHUSTER, supra, concerning "The ROCKEFELLER EMPIRE Scandal - Dismissal and Cover Up of Cataclysmic Tax Liability - Audit Division - Baltimore, Maryland; DIR-BAL-1584-210:11:EEW, Question: (1) Why Does the Internal Revenue Service Not Answer? (2) Why Does the Internal Revenue Service Cooperate With the NIXON Administration in Covering Up This Gigantic Scandal?"

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There was no indication that copies of this letter were designated elsewhere.

Also enclosed with the above set forth letter to SA [REDACTED] was a copy of a letter dated August 28, 1973, from [REDACTED] to Mr. [REDACTED], supra, concerning "The ROCKEFELLER EMPIRE Scandal - Dismissal and Cover Up of Cataclysmic Tax Liability - Audit Division - Baltimore, Maryland, DIR-BAL-1584-210:11:EEW."

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This letter enclosed a certificate for [redacted]'s signature reflecting, among other things, that he [redacted] had personally thoroughly read the file concerning "The ROCKEFELLER EMPIRE Tax Liability" and that "The Internal Revenue Service, after years of diligent, thorough and intensive work on this matter was well warranted, in all respects, in dismissing this hundred million dollar tax liability."

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Copies of this letter were designated for the following:

Honorable SPIRO AGNEW, Vice-President of the  
United States and the following U. S. Senators:

Honorable JOHN TOWER  
Honorable LLOYD BENTSEN  
Honorable SAM ERVIN

On August 13, 1974, [redacted] made available through the U. S. Mails to SA [redacted] of the Dallas Office of the FBI one copy each of letters directed to the following individuals, all dated August 12, 1974:

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Honorable WILLIAM SCRANTON, White House,  
Washington, D. C.  
Honorable ROGERS C. B. MORTON, the White House,  
Washington, D. C.  
Honorable JOHN O. MARSH, JR., the White House,  
Washington, D. C.  
Honorable DONALD RUMSFELD, the White House,  
Washington, D. C.  
Honorable BILL STEIGER, House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.  
Honorable EDWARD DERWINSKI, House of  
Representatives, Washington, D. C.

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Honorable TOM RAILSBACK, House of  
Representatives, Washington, D.C.  
Honorable JOHN PAUL HAMMERSCHMIDT,  
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.  
Honorable JERRY PETTIS, House of Representatives,  
Washington, D.C.  
Honorable L. WILLIAM SEIDMAN, Room 268, Old  
Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C.  
Honorable JESSE HELMS, U. S. Senate,  
Washington, D.C.

Each of these letters reflects copies being  
sent to the following:

Mr. EARL GOLZ, Investigative Reporter, "The  
Dallas Morning News", Dallas, Texas;

Mr.  FBI, Dallas, Texas.

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There follows a copy of the letter to the  
Honorable WILLIAM SCRANTON, the White House, Washington,  
D.C., it being pointed out that each of the letters sent  
to the above listed individuals was practically identical:

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On August 14, 1974, [ ] directed a letter to "Mr. O. E. COLEMAN (or Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ YOUNG) Special Inquiry Section, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.", a copy of which letter was designated for the FBI, Dallas, Texas, and Mr. EARL GOLZ, Investigative Reporter, "The Dallas Morning News", Dallas, Texas. A copy of this letter is set forth as follows:

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ATTORNEY AT LAW  
TOWER PETROLEUM BUILDING  
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201

August 14, 1974

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Mr. O. E. Coleman  
(or Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ Young)  
Special Inquiries Section  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Information and Problem to be placed  
Before President Ford At Once - -  
Nelson Rockefeller

Dear Mr. Coleman:

I just talked with Mr. Young concerning the enormity of the foregoing problem, and its requirement for immediate placement before the President.

The F.B.I. Dallas office has advised me that it is forwarding not only information concerning this grand fraud and swindle, but also data concerning an antitrust investigation that preceded this fraud by a number of years.

While the antitrust matters *have* have nothing to do with the United Nuclear fraud and swindle, you should know the following:

1. There was an antitrust point involved in the attempt by American Metals to take over the huge Sabre properties. The antitrust point was alleged successfully as American Metals withdrew after the point was asserted.
2. There was a second antitrust point concerning interlocking directors. This point was successfully urged also as it was solved by resignation.

The F.B.I. Dallas office also probably forwarded you a 66-page memorandum that I filed before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee when I successfully opposed and testified against President Eisenhower's appointment of Lewis L. Strauss for Secretary of Commerce.

Mr. O. E. Coleman  
(or Mr. \_\_\_\_ Young)

August 14, 1974

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No one in the Rockefeller Empire has ever attempted to justify or answer concerning the grand fraud and swindle of Sabre - not even when the Dallas Morning News wrote Laurance, David and Nelson separate letters inquiring about this fraud.

I enclose a letter recently written concerning this fraud and swindle, which describes the "closed eyes technique" of the Rockefeller Empire. Your investigations will confirm the statements in this letter.

Respectfully yours,



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Enclosure: Letter of August 2, 1974 to  
Securities and Exchange  
Commission.

REGISTERED - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

cc: Federal Bureau of Investigation ✓  
Mercantile Continental Building  
Dallas, Texas 75201

Mr. Earl Golz, Investigative Reporter  
Dallas Morning News  
Dallas, Texas 75222

DL-161-922

It should be noted that on July 25, 1956, as set forth in this report, Sheriff J. E. (BILL) DECKER advised he had called a Mr. [redacted] of Kuhn and Loeb, New York City, and determined that [redacted] was considered to be suffering from a mental disorder.

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TO DIRECTOR (161-6197)

FROM SACRAMENTO (161-440) (P) 1P

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER. SPECIAL INQUIRY.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO SACRAMENTO, AUGUST 27, 1974.

TODAY, STANLEY STEINGUT, 41ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, ADVISED HE IS THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY. HE STATED HE HAS NO QUESTION OF THE NOMINEE'S CHARACTER, REPUTATION, HABITS, ASSOCIATES OR LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES AND FEELS THE NOMINEE IS VERY INTELLIGENT, HARDWORKING AND KNOWLEDGEABLE. HOWEVER, HE IS TOTALLY OPPOSED TO THE NOMINEE ON ISSUES OF POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY, AND ON THIS BASIS, QUESTIONS THE NOMINEE'S COMPETENCE. HE SAID IF HE WERE VOTING AS TO CONFIRMATION OF THE NOMINATION, HE WOULD VOTE TO CONFIRM BUT WOULD NOT HIMSELF DESIGNATE OR RECOMMEND DESIGNATION OF THE NOMINEE.

REPORT SUBMITTED AT SACRAMENTO TODAY.

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Mr. Coleman  
Room 0246

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6197)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (161-2961) (P)

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED:  
AUGUST 28, 1974, WITHOUT FAIL.

REFERENCE NEW YORK TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU, AUGUST 27,  
1974.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, [REDACTED] COUNSEL TO  
NOMINEE, ADVISED SA JOHN E. HARRIS AUGUST 27, 1974, THAT IN  
CONNECTION WITH INTERVIEW OF DR. [REDACTED] NOMINEE'S  
[REDACTED] NELSON ROCKEFELLER WAS CONTACTED BY  
[REDACTED] MORNING OF AUGUST 27, AT WHICH TIME NOMINEE REQUESTED  
THAT FBI, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, HOLD OFF INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] UNTIL  
AFTER LABOR DAY. NOMINEE INDICATED [REDACTED] IS APPARENTLY IN  
SEAL HARBOR, MAINE, A VERY SMALL COMMUNITY. NOMINEE REQUESTED  
OPINION THAT DR. [REDACTED] WOULD BE RETURNING TO NEW YORK CITY

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IMMEDIATELY AFTER LABOR DAY AND HE WOULD PREFER THAT HE BE INTERVIEWED IN NEW YORK CITY IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MATTER.

NOMINEE ALSO ADVISED [ ] WAS CONTACTING HIS LAWYER, [ ] IN CONNECTION WITH A WAIVER NEEDED TO REVIEW THE DIVORCE RECORDS PERTAINING TO HIMSELF AND HIS FORMER WIFE, MARY. NOMINEE FURTHER ADVISED [ ] THAT [ ] IN TURN, WOULD BE IN CONTACT WITH MARY ROCKEFELLER'S LAWYER, [ ] [ ] IN CONNECTION WITH A WAIVER FROM HER TO REVIEW THE PROCEEDINGS IN THE DIVORCE ACTION.

IT MAY BE NOTED THAT NOMINEE'S FORMER WIFE IS CURRENTLY IN EUROPE AND EXPECTED TO RETURN TO UNITED STATES ON AUGUST 28, 1974, OR SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

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TO DIRECTOR (161-6197)

FROM PHILADELPHIA (161-1375)

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPI, BUDED AUGUST 28, 1974,  
WITHOUT FAIL.

RE NEW YORK IMMEDIATE TELETYPE, AUGUST 27, 1974.

ROBERT BRUCE ORR, UPPER BLACK EDDY, PA., WAS CON-  
TACTED BY BUREAU AGENTS AND ADVISED THAT HE WOULD BE AVAIL-  
ABLE FOR INTERVIEW AT 10:00 AM, AUGUST 28, 1974 REGARDING  
LEAD SET FORTH IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATION.

PHILADELPHIA WILL CONDUCT INTERVIEW, AND PROMPTLY  
NOTIFY BUREAU OF RESULTS. REPORT WILL FOLLOW.

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TO DIRECTOR (161-6197)

ALBANY (161-965)

FROM NEW YORK (161-2961) (P) 1P

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPI, BUDED AUGUST 28, 1974

WITHOUT FAIL.

RE NEW YORK TEL CALL TO ALBANY, INSTANT DATE.

HERBERT A. POSNER, NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLYMAN, 22ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, ADVISED THAT HE BROUGHT THREE LAW SUITS AGAINST GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER FOR "ABUSE OF EXECUTIVE POWER". HE STATED TWO OF THESE SUITS CONCERNED NEW YORK STATE BUDGETS WHERE THE BUDGETS WERE NOT BALANCED, AND ONE SUIT DEALT WITH "THE TAX PACKAGE" CONCERNING THE BUDGET. POSNER SAID THREE SUITS WERE THROWN OUT OF HIGHEST COURT IN NEW-YORK STATE FOR "LACK OF JUDICIAL STANDING". HE SAID HIS MAIN CONCERN AFOREMENTIONED SUITS WAS THAT CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF LEGISLATURE WERE BEING ABUSED BY ROCKEFELLER'S BUDGETS.

ALBANY OFFICE WILL VERIFY ABOVE SUITS AND OBTAIN DETAILS AT NEW YORK STATE COURT OF APPEALS, ALBANY, NEW YORK.  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC, NEW YORK (161-2961)

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FROM SAC, SAN ANTONIO (161-774) (RUC) 1P

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RE NY TELETYPE TO BUREAU, AUGUST 26, 1974.

ON AUGUST 27, 1974, [REDACTED], EXECUTIVE

SECRETARY TO [REDACTED], SUITE 2000, NATIONAL  
BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ADVISED

[REDACTED] DEPARTED SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,

ON AUGUST 25, 1974, ON A HUNTING TRIP TO SCOTLAND AND WAS  
NOT EXPECTED TO RETURN UNTIL SEPTEMBER 3, 1974. [REDACTED]

DURING THIS PERIOD CAN BE CONTACTED AT BIRSE LODGE HOTEL  
ABOYNE, ABERDEENSHIRE, SCOTLAND, TELEPHONE ABOYNE 2254. NOT RECORDED

UACB NO LEAD HAS BEEN SET FORTH FOR THE INTERVIEW OF DEC 31 1974

[REDACTED] AND BECAUSE OF BUDED [REDACTED] WILL NOT BE INTERVIEWED  
BY SAN ANTONIO DIVISION UPON HIS RETURN ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1974.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (161-6197) (MAIL) AND  
SACS, BALTIMORE ✓ BIRMINGHAM  
BOSTON (161-2182) ✓ CINCINNATI ✓  
CLEVELAND ✓ DALLAS ✓  
HOUSTON ✓ KNOXVILLE ✓  
MINNEAPOLIS (161-510) ✓ SAN FRANCISCO ✓

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FROM: SAC, WFO (161-5674) (P) (4P)

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REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE TO WFO AUGUST 21, 1974.

BUREAU HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO CONDUCT EXPEDITE INVESTI-  
GATION OF ROCKEFELLER WHO HAS BEEN NOMINATED VICE PRESIDENT.  
INVESTIGATION MUST BE COMENSURATE WITH HIGH OFFICE INVOLVED.  
ALL PERSONS INTERVIEWED SHOULD BE ADVISED INVESTIGATION  
BEING CONDUCTED AT REQUEST OF WHITE HOUSE.

BORN JULY 8, 1908, BAR HARBOR, MAINE, AND IS FORMER  
GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK. CONDUCT NO NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION

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OF ROCKEFELLER UNLESS SOME REASON FOR DOING SO EXISTS, AT WHICH TIME BUREAU APPROVAL SHOULD BE SECURED.

ALL OFFICES ARE TO SUBMIT FULL AND COMPLETE REPORTS OF INVESTIGATION. INCLUDE TABLE OF CONTENTS AND SUBHEADINGS WHERE APPROPRIATE AS IS DONE IN JUDGESHIP CASES. SUBMIT SIX COPIES TO THE BUREAU. REFER TO ROCKEFELLER IN REPORTS BY NAME OR AS NOMINEE, NOT APPLICANT OR APPOINTEE. REPORTS MUST BE LETTER PERFECT AND CLEAR AND ALL INFORMATION THEREIN MUST BE FULLY DEVELOPED AND REPORTED.

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NOMINEE IS CURRENTLY CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON WATER QUALITY. OTHER MEMBERS OF THIS COMMISSION INCLUDE SENATOR EDMUND S. MUSKIE WHO IS VICE CHAIRMAN AND CAN BE

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REACHED AT HIS HOME ON [REDACTED] KENNEBUNKE BEACH, MAINE,  
TELEPHONE [REDACTED]; SENATOR HOWARD H. BAKER, JR., WHO  
CAN BE REACHED AT HIS OFFICE IN HUNTSVILLE, TENNESSEE, ON  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1974, CARE OF [REDACTED], TELEPHONE  
NUMBER [REDACTED]; U.S. REPRESENTATIVE JOHN A. BLATNIK  
(MINNESOTA) WHO CAN BE REACHED AT [REDACTED] IN CHISHOLM,  
MINNESOTA OR [REDACTED] IN DULUTH, MINNESOTA; U.S. REP-  
RESENTATIVE JAMES C. WRIGHT, JR., (TEXAS) WHO CAN BE REACHED  
THROUGH HIS FORT WORTH OFFICE AT TELEPHONE [REDACTED]  
MR. [REDACTED], WHOSE ADDRESS IS LISTED AS E.I. DUPONT  
NEMAURS, WILLMINGTON, DELAWARE; MR. [REDACTED]  
WHOSE ADDRESS IS LISTED AS [REDACTED], PEBBLE BEACH,  
CALIFORNIA; MR. [REDACTED], CLEVELAND PUBLIC UTILITIES,  
[REDACTED], CLEVELAND, OHIO.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF BIRMINGHAM, U.S. REPRESENTATIVE  
ROBERT E. JONES (ALABAMA) IS ALSO ON THE COMMISSION. INVESTI-  
GATION AT WDC REVEALS THAT JONES IS CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL  
IN ALABAMA AND LEFT INSTRUCTIONS THAT HE NOT BE DISTURBED.  
UACB, BIRMINGHAM SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO CONTACT JONES.  
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FOR INFORMATION BUREAU, OTHER MEMBERS OF COMMISSION INCLUDE SENATOR JAMES L. BUCKLEY, AND U.S. REPRESENTATIVE JAMES R. GROVER, JR., BOTH OF NEW YORK WHO HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED BY WFO. MR. CARL E. WRIGHT, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION ON POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY WHO IS NOW DECEASED, WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THIS COMMISSION.

FOR INFORMATION CINCINNATI, U.S. REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAM H. HARSHA (OHIO) IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THIS COMMISSION AND WFO WILL ATTEMPT TO FURNISH CINCINNATI WITH A NUMBER WHERE HE CAN BE REACHED IN OHIO.

FOR INFORMATION HOUSTON, SENATOR LLOYD M. BENTSEN IS ALSO MEMBER OF THIS COMMISSION AND WFO WILL ATTEMPT TO FURNISH A NUMBER WHERE HE CAN BE REACHED IN HOUSTON, TEXAS.

ALL OFFICES HANDLE.

DUE TO URGENT NATURE OF REQUEST, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT BUDED BE MET WITHOUT FAIL. NO DELAY WILL BE TOLERATED.  
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FOR ANY QUESTIONS/CORRECTIONS PLS CONTACT THE WASHINGTON  
FIELD OFFICE TK U

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DIRECTOR, FBI

Mr. Coleman  
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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (161-8261) (P)

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE AUGUST 21, 1974

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BORN JULY 8, 1908, BAR HARBOR, MAINE, AND IS FORMER  
GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK. SEE WHO'S WHO FOR FURTHER BACKGROUND.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY MINORITY LEADER STANLEY  
STEINGUT IS AT MANSION INN HOTEL, 916-444-8000, FOR THIS DAY  
AND WILL THEN GO TO SAND'S HOTEL, LAS VEGAS. SACRAMENTO  
INTERVIEW STEINGUT.

ALL OFFICES ARE TO SUBMIT FULL AND COMPLETE REPORTS  
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FROM: SAC, WFO (161-5674) (1P)

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER. SPI. BUDED AUGUST 28, 1974,  
WITHOUT FAIL.RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO WFO, DATED AUGUST 21, 1974, AND NEW  
YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DATED AUGUST 23, 1974.

INVESTIGATION AT NEW YORK OFFICE REFLECTS THAT MAXINE CHESHIRE,  
A COLUMNIST FOR THE WASHINGTON POST, WASHINGTON, D.C., IS  
REPORTEDLY VERY WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE NOMINEE. INVESTIGATION  
AT HER OFFICE AT THE WASHINGTON POST INDICATES SHE IS ON VACATION  
AND CAN BE REACHED AT HER HOME IN ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, TELEPHONE  
NUMBER [REDACTED]. ALEXANDRIA HANDLE. DUE TO URGENT NATURE OF  
REQUEST IT IS IMPERATIVE BUDED BE MET WITHOUT FAIL. NO DELAY  
WILL BE TOLERATED.

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FROM NEW YORK (161-2961) 2P P

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPI, BUDED AUGUST 28, 1974

WITHOUT FAIL.

JAMES O. DRUKER, ASSISTANT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
SPECIAL PROSECUTORS OFFICE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, ADVISED THAT  
LIAM COONAN, ASSISTED HIM WHEN HE WAS AUSA IN A NARCOTICS  
VIOLATION CASE AGAINST [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. HE STATED THAT AN UNDERCOVER AGENT TRIED TO ARRANGE  
FOR A MEETING WITH [REDACTED] DURING PERIOD SEPTEMBER 11-20,  
1971, AND [REDACTED] STATED HE COULD NOT MEET THE AGENT ON MONDAY  
DURING THAT PERIOD BECAUSE HE WAS GOING TO MEET NELSON ROCKEFELLER.  
HE SAID [REDACTED] WAS EXECUTIVE IN ITALIAN AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS LEAGUE.

ST. LOUIS OFFICE WILL CONTACT LIAM COONAN, HEAD OF ST.  
LOUIS FEDERAL STRIKE FORCE, TELEPHONE [REDACTED], AND OBTAIN

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NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPIN.

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF NEW YORK, FORMER SUPREME COURT JUSTICE ARTHUR J. GOLDBERG WAS INTERVIEWED BY WFO AND WAS HIGHLY COMPLEMENTARY TOWARD THE NOMINEE. GOLDBERG RAN AGAINST THE NOMINEE IN THE 1970 NEW YORK GUBERNATORIAL CAMPAIGN AND WAS DEFEATED. GOLDBERG ADVISED THAT DURING THIS CAMPAIGN A BOOK ENTITLED "ARTHUR J. GOLDBERG; THE OLD AND THE NEW," WAS WRITTEN BY AUTHOR VICTOR LASKY. GOLDBERG HELD THAT THIS BOOK WAS LIBELOUS AND ASSERTIONS WERE COMPLETELY UNFOUNDED. GOLDBERG ADVISED THAT THIS BOOK APPEARED IN PRINT DURING THE CAMPAIGN AND DISAPPEARED AFTER HIS DEFEAT BY THE NOMINEE. GOLDBERG DID NOT FEEL THAT THE NOMINEE HAD ANY PART IN THIS WRITING, BUT HAD BEEN CURIOUS AS TO ITS ORIGIN AND BACKING.

ON INTERVIEW, VICTOR LASKY ADVISED THAT THIS BOOK WAS WRITTEN UPON THE SUGGESTION OF ATTORNEY JOHN WELLS, NEW YORK, WHO IS AN ATTORNEY OF LASKY. WELLS REPRESENTS A LITERARY ORGANIZATION CALLED LITERARY PROPERTIES, AND WELLS SUGGESTED GOLDBERG TO

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LASKY AS A SUBJECT BECAUSE HE WAS A FORMER SUPREME COURT JUSTICE AND AN UNKNOWN IN POLITICAL CIRCLES. LASKY ADVISED THAT HE AND WELLS THOUGHT THE BOOK WOULD SELL AND A PROFIT COULD BE MADE. LASKEY STATED HE WROTE THE BOOK INTENDING TO "KNOCK" GOLDBERG DOWN POLITICALLY BUT IN NO WAY WAS ANYONE CONNECTED WITH A POLITICAL CAMPAIGN INVOLVED WITH THE WRITING OR FUNDING OF THE BOOK.

FOLLOWING THE DEFEAT OF GOLDBERG, THE BOOK FAILED AND LITTLE PROFIT WAS RECOGNIZED FROM THIS WRITING. LASKY FELT THAT IF GOLDBERG HAD WON THE BOOK WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE SUCCESSFUL.

LASKY COULD NOT RECALL WHAT PROMPTED WELLS TO SUGGEST THE BOOK WITH GOLDBERG AS A SUBJECT OR COULD HE PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING FINANCING.

THE BOOK WAS PUBLISHED BY ARLINGTON HOUSE, NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK, 1970.

LASKY ADVISED THAT HE IS A PUBLISHED WRITER AND DEALS MAINLY WITH POLITICAL FIGURES. HE HAS WRITTEN BOOKS REGARDING

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THE CAREERS OF JOHN F. KENNEDY, ROBERT F. KENNEDY AND RICHARD M. NIXON (YET TO BE PUBLISHED).

JOHN WELLS IS AN ATTORNEY CURRENTLY AT THE LAW FIRM OF FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE WILLIAM P. ROGERS (ROYALL, KOEGEL, ROGERS AND WELLS), NEW YORK.

NEW YORK SHOULD NOTE THAT LASKY WAS INTERVIEWED BY WFO AGENTS IN 1973 IN CONNECTION WITH RECEIVING A CASH PAYMENT FROM THE COMMITTEE TO RE-ELECT THE PRESIDENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000. PAYMENTS WERE MADE BY [REDACTED] ALLEGEDLY FOR THE WRITING OF SPEECHES AND JOKES FOR [REDACTED] WHICH WERE NEVER USED. (WFO FILE [REDACTED] BUFILE [REDACTED]).

LEAD: NEW YORK AT NEW YORK: UACB, INTERVIEW JOHN WELLS RE ANY POLITICAL BACKING OR FUNDING OF REFERENCED BOOK. NEW YORK SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT INTERVIEW WITH FORMER JUSTICE GOLDBERG SHOULD NOT BE DIVULGED AND NO <sup>ALLEGATION</sup> ~~OPERATION~~ OF POLITICAL BACKING SHOULD BE IMPLIED.

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO WASHINGTON FIELD, AUGUST 21, 1974.

ON AUGUST 26, 1974, JAMES P. MC FARLAND, CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER, GENERAL MILLS, INC., MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA,  
ADVISED HE HAD BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH ROCKEFELLER SINCE 1929 WHEN  
THEY BOTH STUDENTS AT DARTMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE. MC FARLAND'S

[REDACTED], WAS A CLASSMATE OF MR. ROCKEFELLER  
AND HIS BROTHER HAS MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH MR. ROCKEFELLER SINCE  
THAT TIME. [REDACTED] IS A MEMBER OF THE BOSTON,  
MASSACHUSETTS, LAW FIRM OF HERRICH, SMITH, DONALD, AND FARLEY.

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[redacted] ROUND LAKE, NEW YORK, SELF-  
STYLED CRUSADER FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS, ALLEGED THAT SOON  
AFTER NOMINEE TOOK OFFICE AS GOVERNOR IN 1959, AUTO INSURANCE  
RATES INCREASED BY 33PERCENT. AS A RESULT, NOMINEE  
BENEFITED HIMSELF FINANCIALLY BECAUSE OF HIS LARGE HOLDINGS  
IN INSURANCE COMPANIES WRITING AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE POLICIES  
IN NEW YORK STATE.

THE NEW YORK STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE,  
AT THE TIME, WAS THOMAS THATCHER, NOW WITH LAW FIRM OF 161-6197 164;  
PATTERSON, BELKNAPP AND WEBB, 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, NYC NOT RECORDED

THATCHER'S SECRETARY ADVISED THAT THATCHER IS IN 14 DEC 21 1974  
MAINE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 2, 1974. SHE SAID HE CAN BE CONTACTED  
AT DEACON BROWN'S POINT, NORTH HAVEN, MAINE, TELEPHONE NUMBER

[redacted] BOSTON OFFICE WILL CONTACT THATCHER REGARDING

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[REDACTED], ARCHITECT, SEAL HARBOR, MAINE, TELEPHONE NUMBER

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BY THE NOMINEE AS A CLOSE PERSONAL FRIEND.

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NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED AUGUST 28,  
1974, WITHOUT FAIL.

REFERENCE WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND BOSTON AUGUST 23, 1974.  
INVESTIGATION AT WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC) REVEALS THAT MR.  
GORDON GRAY, FORMER SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, CURRENTLY SERVES WITH  
THE NOMINEE ON THE PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY  
BOARD (PFIAB) AND HE IS CURRENTLY VACATIONING IN NORTHEAST  
HARBOUR, MAINE, WHERE HE WILL BE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 10, 1974. HE  
CAN BE REACHED ON TELEPHONE NUMBER  . BOSTON HANDLE

DUE TO URGENT NATURE OF REQUEST, IT IS IMPERATIVE BUDED  
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FROM: SAC, WFO (161-5674)(P)(2P)

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED AUGUST 28, 1974.

REBUREAU TELETYPE TO WFO DATED AUGUST 26, 1974.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE ABOVE LISTED OFFICES, ON AUGUST 22, 1974, UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE ELIZABETH HOLTZMAN, NEW YORK, ADVISED THAT THE ONLY RUMORS SHE HAS EVER ENCOUNTERED OF AN UNFAVORABLE NATURE REGARDING THE NOMINEE WAS A RUMOR THAT ALLEGED THAT THE NOMINEE HAD ARRANGED FOR THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, NEW YORK CITY, TO MAKE LOANS FOR HIS VARIOUS GUBERNATORIAL CAMPAIGNS, AND THAT THE NOMINEE HAD PERSONALLY GUARANTEED THESE LOANS AS A CO-SIGNER. FOLLOWING THE CAMPAIGNS, THE LOANS REMAINED UNPAID AND THE NOMINEE HAD PAID THESE LOANS PERSONALLY. FOLLOWING THE PAYMENT OF THESE LOANS, THE NOMINEE HAD DEDUCTED THE AMOUNTS PAID AS BUSINESS DEDUCTIONS ON HIS INCOME TAX. ~~REPRESENTATIVE~~

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HOLTZMAN STATED THAT SHE COULD NOT VOUCH FOR THE VALIDITY OF  
THIS RUMOR NOR DID SHE KNOW IF THERE WAS ANY ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES  
IMPLIED. SHE COULD NOT RECALL THE SOURCE OF THIS RUMOR.

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NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPECIAL INQUIRY, BUDED: AUGUST  
28, 1974, WITHOUT FAIL.

REFERENCE NEW YORK TELEPHONE CALL TO BUREAU, AUGUST 27, 1974.

ON AUGUST 26, 1974, MRS. ALICE WIDENER,   
NEW YORK CITY, PUBLISHER OF USA MAGAZINE AND A SELF-SYNDICATED  
COLUMNIST WHO HAS BEEN LONG TIME FRIEND OF FBI, ADVISED SA  
 THAT PETER BETER HAD WRITTEN BOOK "THE CONSPIRACY  
AGAINST THE DOLLAR", WHICH IS CRITICAL OF WHAT BETER REFERS TO AS  
"ROCKEFELLER DYNASTY".

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MRS. WIDENER ADVISED THAT, BASED ON HER REVIEW OF BETER'S  
WRITINGS AND PUBLIC STATEMENTS, SHE FEELS BETER'S MENTAL HEALTH  
SHOULD BE QUESTIONED. MRS. WIDENER CHARACTERIZED BETER AS HAVING  
"A MONOMANIA ABOUT THE ROCKEFELLERS" AND HE (BETER) HAS BEEN

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EMPLOYING THE VEHICLE OF RADIO TALK SHOWS TO CONVEY "HIS PERSONAL DISTORTED VIEWS" ON WHAT PROBLEMS THE WORLD ECONOMY IS FACING.

MRS. WIDENER ADVISED THAT ON APRIL 23, 1974, BEFER TESTIFIED BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY, WHICH WAS CONSIDERING A BILL TO AMEND THE EXPORT - IMPORT BANK ACT OF 1945. DURING HIS TESTIMONY, WHICH WAS GIVEN IN ROOM 2128, BAYBURN OFFICE BUILDING, BEFER IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS AN ATTORNEY WHO, SINCE 1968, HAD ACCEPTED AN INVITATION "TO DO BUSINESS IN THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE" (FORMERLY THE BELGIAN CONGO). ROMINER'S NAME WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THIS TESTIMONY.

MRS. WIDENER WAS NOT AWARE OF BEFER'S CURRENT ADDRESS OR HOW HE COULD BE REACHED.

*REVIEW OF AFOREMENTIONED BOOK FOLLOWS.*

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RE ALBANY TELETYPE, AUGUST 23, 1974, SETTING FORTH  
INFO FROM [REDACTED], ROUND LAKE, NEW YORK, SELF-STYLED  
CRUSADER FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS, WHEREIN HE ALLEGED THAT SOON AFTER  
TAKING OFFICE AS GOVERNOR IN 1959, NOMINEE BENEFITED FROM CONSOLIDATED  
EDISON COMPANY, NYC, RATE RAISE BECAUSE HE HAD LARGE HOLDINGS IN  
THIS POWER COMPANY.

NYO UNABLE TO LOCATE [REDACTED] AS HE IS NOT LISTED  
IN TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES FOR THE FIVE BOROUGHES OF NEW YORK  
OR THE CROSS REFERENCE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY FOR BKLYN.

ALBANY OFFICE WILL CONTACT MR. PRINDLE, NEW YORK  
STATE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, ALBANY, NEW YORK, TELEPHONE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], TO ASCERTAIN CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED], IF HE IS STILL  
LIVING.

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FOR INFORMATION PHILADELPHIA, INVESTIGATION AT NEW YORK  
DETERMINED ROBERT BRUCE ORR FORMER LEGAL COUNSEL TO ROCKEFELLER  
BROTHERS AND ASSOCIATES AND CURRENTLY RESIDING AT UPPER BLACK  
EDDY, PENNSYLVANIA, TELEPHONE [REDACTED] PHILADELPHIA  
CONTACT ORR REGARDING COMMENTS CONCERNING NOMINEE.

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Date: 8/27/74  
Office: Alexandria, Virginia  
Field Office File #: AX 161-2695  
Bureau File #: 161-6197  
Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Associate, JOHN C. MC CLINTOCK, recommends nominee highly and [redacted] reveal no derogatory information relative to nominee, his spouse or his former spouse.

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JOHN C. MC CLINTOCK, 218 South Royal Street, Alexandria, Virginia, advised he first became associated with the nominee in 1940 when he was appointed to the post of assistant to the nominee, who was coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. Subsequently, in 1944, Mr. ROCKEFELLER was appointed to the position of Assistant Secretary of State, at which time he, MC CLINTOCK, was appointed Special Assistant to the nominee. He described the nominee as a completely capable and able man for such a high-level position and considers him an authority on Latin-American affairs. Mr. MC CLINTOCK stated the nominee has a tremendous amount of experience in all phases of government affairs, and he could not think of a better man for the position of Vice President of the United States. He advised he and the nominee left the above-mentioned positions in 1945 and since that time, any contact has been strictly social, primarily in the New York area. Mr.



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MC CLINTOCK advised he has not seen or talked to the nominee in about ten years.

He stated he has no reservations regarding Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character, reputation, associates or loyalty to the United States Government; and he most highly recommended the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

On August 27, 1974, PATRICK RYAN, President, Fidelity Bank of Colonie, Colonie, New York, was contacted at the law office of KENNETH M. GOLDBERG, 151 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts. He stated that he has been interviewed by the Albany Office.

Lead was set forth for Boston by Albany teletype 8/26/74.

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Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

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Synopsis:

Close associate, political and business acquaintances and member of judiciary recommend. Governor of New Hampshire stated that with nominee's philosophical approach to government, he would be the last person he would recommend as Vice-President to fight the inflation that exists in the United States today. ELLIS O. BRIGGS, Career Ambassador, United States Government, related he and nominee frequently "locked horns" on official matters and matters of policy with regard to foreign affairs in Latin America. He preferred to make no statement as to recommendation since he has been away from the Washington scene since 1962. No credit or arrest record. No tax liens.

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DETAILS:

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EDWARD V. REAGAN

General LUCIUS D. CLAY

WARREN M. ANDERSON

ROSWELL B. PERKINS

EDWIN H. LAND

DONALD S. HARRINGTON

Remaining investigation in the  
State of New Hampshire

Investigation at Augusta and  
North Haven, Maine

Remaining investigation in the  
State of Maine

Remaining investigation in the  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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CLOSE ASSOCIATES

On March 27, 1969, during the course of an applicant-type investigation concerning ROCKEFELLER, JOHN SLOAN DICKEY, President of Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, advised that he had been acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER for over thirty-five years. He said that ROCKEFELLER graduated from Dartmouth College with honors in 1930 and has had a close relationship with the college since that time. He related that ROCKEFELLER was a trustee of Dartmouth College for a term in the late 1940's and has taken a keen interest in the development of Hopkins Art Center at Dartmouth College. DICKEY stated that normally ROCKEFELLER visits Dartmouth College at least once a year, usually during the fall to watch a football game. DICKEY described ROCKEFELLER as a close personal friend who is a tough-minded idealist but who is also a firm and realistic leader.

DICKEY advised that had always felt very privileged to have a close association with ROCKEFELLER and he gave his highest recommendation. DICKEY concluded by advising that ROCKEFELLER was to be the featured speaker at the anniversary commencement of Dartmouth College during June, 1969.



THOMAS B. MC CABE, Member, Board of Directors, Scott Paper Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, residence address [redacted], Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, was interviewed on August 26, 1974, at his summer residence Pine Cottage, Northeast Harbor, Maine. He advised that he has vacationed at Northeast Harbor, Maine, since 1939, and that he has known the nominee, who has a summer residence at Seal Harbor, Maine, since that time. He advised that he is a National Committeeman for the Republican Party of Pennsylvania and that he has supported the nominee in political affairs. He further advised that for a period of 18 months during the 1950's, exact dates not recalled, he worked on a Rockefeller Commission Report dealing with the national economy and foreign affairs. He said that he was Chairman of the Economic Group with respect to the Rockefeller Commission Report. He said he considers the nominee a person of excellent character, associates, and reputation. He considers the nominee a person of outstanding capabilities in the business finance area and in the political area. He said he considers the nominee an outstanding leader and feels that the people of America would be fortunate in having an individual of his caliber as Vice-President of the United States. He recommended the nominee without reservation for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

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POLITICAL ACQUAINTANCES

On March 28, 1969, Governor FRANCIS W. SARGENT, Statehouse, Boston, Massachusetts, advised that he is closely associated with Governor ROCKEFELLER and has been for over five years. He described Governor ROCKEFELLER as an extraordinary, honorable person with excellent habits and behavior and with no known weaknesses or faults.

Governor SARGENT is not acquainted with members of Governor ROCKEFELLER's family but he knows that Governor ROCKEFELLER is well respected. To his knowledge, Governor ROCKEFELLER has always associated with leaders of the business world, Government, and academic community. Governor SARGENT said that Governor ROCKEFELLER is an outstanding, loyal citizen and is qualified to perform in an excellent manner in any Governmental position.

Governor SARGENT enthusiastically recommended Governor ROCKEFELLER and rendered his full endorsement as to character, loyalty, and associates for employment in a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

On August 22, 1974, Governor FRANCIS W. SARGENT, Statehouse, Boston, Massachusetts, was recontacted and reiterated his comments concerning Governor ROCKEFELLER that he made when interviewed during 1969. He also stated that he has known Governor ROCKEFELLER both professionally and socially since 1959, and considers ROCKEFELLER an excellent choice for Vice President of the United States. He advised that he knows of no biases or prejudices that Governor ROCKEFELLER might possess, describing him as a loyal American with an excellent character, reputation, and associates. He said he knows of nothing of an unfavorable nature concerning Governor ROCKEFELLER. He recommended Governor ROCKEFELLER without reservation for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

On August 23, 1974, EDWARD V. REAGAN, Erie County Executive, Buffalo, New York, a Republican, with residence at [redacted], Buffalo, New York, was interviewed at his vacation address, Wauwinet, Nantucket Island, Massachusetts. Mr. REAGAN advised he met ROCKEFELLER in approximately 1966 when he first ran for public office. His subsequent contacts with ROCKEFELLER have been frequent and have primarily been the result of political situations involving campaigns,

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commissions, or political conferences mostly in the Buffalo, New York, area. He last saw ROCKEFELLER approximately three or four months ago. REAGAN holds the nominee in very high esteem and considers his ability to be outstanding. He further regards him to be a solid, sound individual with a superior personality and intelligence. He considers ROCKEFELLER to possess an outstanding character, reputation, and associates and his loyalty to the Government of the United States is beyond question. He considers ROCKEFELLER to be very highly qualified for the Vice-Presidency of the United States and he so recommends him for this position.

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Mr. WARREN M. ANDERSON, Republican, New York State Senator, and currently Senate Majority Leader, who resides at [REDACTED], Binghamton, New York, and who is a member of the law firm of Hinman, Howard and Katall, Binghamton, New York, was interviewed on August 22, 1974, at his vacation address at [REDACTED], Truro, Massachusetts.

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ANDERSON advised he has served in the New York State Senate since 1953 and first met NELSON ROCKEFELLER in the summer of 1958, when ROCKEFELLER had run as the Republican candidate for the Governorship of that State.

He recalled from 1966 to 1973, he had served as Chairman of Finance and had worked closely with ROCKEFELLER on State budgetary matters, usually meeting with ROCKEFELLER and his staff on two or three occasions during each week of the legislative session.

He noted since 1973, he has become Senate Majority Leader and his close contacts have continued with the Vice Presidential nominee.

He stated during the entire period of his professional association with ROCKEFELLER, he has found him to be a friendly, reasonable, sincere and considerate individual of excellent character and unquestioned loyalty who has always exhibited a sincere desire to see this country do well.

He noted ROCKEFELLER had always selected outstanding, intellectually interesting, decent and hardworking people to work for him and has expected and received "the most" from these people.

He recalled during those years of the ROCKEFELLER Governorship when the New York State Legislature was either controlled in one or both branches by the opposition Party, ROCKEFELLER had always dealt with that Party in the same fair and direct way that he had operated during the period of his Party's domination, and had maintained a good working relationship between the Executive and Legislative Branches throughout the period of his Governorship.

He related that ROCKEFELLER has always been considerate and fair to both him and his family and he would highly recommend him for the position of Vice President.

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On August 25, 1974, MELDRIM THOMSON, Governor, State of New Hampshire, Concord, New Hampshire, advised that he has had very little personal contact with NELSON ROCKEFELLER other than his association with him at various Governors' conferences. He advised that he knows his character, integrity and honesty to be "good", and that he has no reason to question Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S loyalty to the United States Government. Governor THOMSON advised that he would not recommend Mr. ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice-President. He stated that with Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S philosophical approach to government he would be the last person he would recommend for such a position to fight the inflation that exists in the United States today. Governor THOMSON advised that he has made known to President FORD his opinion on the appointment of Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

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DONALD S. HARRINGTON, Chairman of the New York State Liberal Party, furnished the following information when he was interviewed at his summer residence at [redacted] Denmark, Maine:

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In connection with his position as Chairman of the New York State Liberal Party, he has had a tremendous opportunity to become acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER. He advised that he knows of nothing which would reflect unfavorably against ROCKEFELLER as Vice-President of the United States. He stated he regards him as an outstanding person, a tremendously able politician and a man of honor and integrity. He advised that from his association with ROCKEFELLER, he has differed on occasion because of their political philosophies but ROCKEFELLER has always evidenced religious tolerance and never demonstrated any prejudices against minority or ethnic groups. On occasion, he has been possibly influenced by political considerations but has not ever been subjected, to his knowledge, to any improper considerations. In the past, Governor ROCKEFELLER took a strong stand on the law enforcement problem. His stand was different than that which would have been taken by Mr. HARRINGTON but considerations after the Attica situation have indicated that perhaps ROCKEFELLER'S stand was the better. He disagrees with Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S stand on the manner in which the narcotics problem has been handled in the State of New York because he does not feel that long prison sentences will be the solution for the narcotic problem.

Mr. HARRINGTON advised that he holds Governor ROCKEFELLER in the highest regard and believes that he would be an outstanding Vice-President of the United States.



Mr. JAMES ERWIN, Augusta, Maine, Republican Gubernatorial Candidate for Governor of the State of Maine, advised on August 26, 1974, he has known Governor ROCKEFELLER since the mid 1960's. Mr. ERWIN advised that he first met the nominee in connection with a conference of State Attorneys General and pointed out that he, Mr. ERWIN, served as Attorney General of Maine for a six-year period and also served as a Maine State Senator and Maine State Representative. He advised that in connection with his Republican Party activities he has met Governor ROCKEFELLER on a fairly continuous basis and stated that he has been continually impressed with the Governor's administrative abilities as well as his continuing efforts to better the lot of all Americans. He stated that his last contact with the Governor was approximately two weeks ago when he accompanied the Governor to a gubernatorial conference in Chicago, Illinois. He advised that it is his opinion that no finer man could be confirmed for the Vice-Presidential post and stated that he has never heard or learned of any information which unfavorably reflects on the Governor in terms of his character, loyalty, reputation, or morals. He stated that he would strongly recommend the confirmation of ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice-President.

CYRIL JOLY, Maine State Senator, Waterville, Maine, advised on August 26, 1974 that he first met Governor ROCKEFELLER in the mid 1960's in connection with his service as Republican National Committeeman for the State of Maine. He stated that he has also served as Republican State Chairman for the State of Maine for a period of four years and in connection with all of these activities he frequently had the opportunity to meet and speak with Governor ROCKEFELLER, at political meetings and political fund-raising activities. He stated that he has been continuously impressed by the Governor's willingness to appear at Republican promotional activities and further stated that on those occasions when he has had an opportunity to speak at length with the Governor, he has always found him to be particularly interested in the problems of the little man and in particular the activities of the Republican Party in Maine. He stated that it is his opinion that no finer man could have been selected and nominated for the post of Vice-President of the United States and he would strongly recommend confirmation of Governor ROCKEFELLER by the Congress of the United States.

Mr. HAROLD JONES, Augusta, Maine, State Republican Party Chairman, advised on August 26, 1974, that he has known



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Governor ROCKEFELLER since 1964 when he first met him in connection with his, JONES', activities as Republican National Committeeman for the State of Maine. JONES advised that he presently serves in that capacity and, through Republican Party inquiries, was asked to name three individuals whom he would recommend to President FORD for the position of Vice-President. He stated that he indicated Governor ROCKEFELLER was his first choice and stated that he is of the opinion that no better and more qualified man could be found in the United States to fill this position. He stated he knows of absolutely no fact or rumor which reflects unfavorably on the character, reputation, or loyalty of Governor ROCKEFELLER. He further stated that the Governor's expertise in the fields of finance and economics singles him out as the most qualified individual to be considered for the position of Vice-President. He stated that he would strongly urge the confirmation of Governor ROCKEFELLER by the Congress of the United States.

Mr. JEROLD SPEERS, Republican, State Senator, Maine Senatorial District Number 15, Winthrop, Maine, advised on August 26, 1974 that he has known Governor ROCKEFELLER since the early 1960's and became acquainted with him in 1964 and thereafter in connection with his duties as a delegate to the Republican National Conventions when he supported Governor ROCKEFELLER for the Presidency of the United States. He stated Governor ROCKEFELLER's expertise in matters of finance and administration is unquestioned and he is without doubt the most qualified man to hold the position of Vice-President of the United States to be found in the country today. He advised Governor ROCKEFELLER has a thorough understanding of international problems as well, and is one of the few politicians in the United States who can travel in the Western Hemisphere, and in particular Latin and South America, and can converse with the nationals of those countries in their native tongues. He advised that he would completely and enthusiastically recommend the confirmation of Governor ROCKEFELLER for the post of Vice-President of the United States.

Governor KENNETH M. CURTIS, State House, Augusta, Maine, advised on August 26, 1974 that he first met Governor ROCKEFELLER in 1967 in connection with their activities as

gubernatorial incumbents in the respective States of  
New York and Maine. Governor CURTIS stated that he has attended many meetings with Governor ROCKEFELLER, served on many commissions, and has spoken telephonically with him on numerous occasions. He stated that Governor ROCKEFELLER's expertise in areas of finance and government is unequaled and he would have absolutely no hesitation in recommending his confirmation as Vice-President of the United States by the Congress of the United States. He advised that no fact has ever come to his attention directly or indirectly which would reflect unfavorably upon the Governor and stated that he is pleased to recommend a Maine native for confirmation to this high office.

BUSINESS ACQUAINTANCES

On August 23, 1974, [redacted], Attorney with law office in New York City, New York, was interviewed at his summer residence, [redacted], Little Compton, Rhode Island. He advised that he has been associated with Mr. NELSON ROCKEFELLER since the mid 1950's in a number of governmental assignments. He first met Mr. ROCKEFELLER when both were with the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in Washington, D. C., and later as an aide in various political campaigns. In 1958 or 1959, he acted as counsel on legislative matters for Mr. ROCKEFELLER who was then Governor of the State of New York. Mr. [redacted] said he had an excellent opportunity to observe Mr. ROCKEFELLER closely and found him to be an extremely intelligent, competent and effective leader with vast experience in government.

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Mr. [redacted] observed that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has the ability to quickly absorb and assimilate complex details and form a reasonable solution to problems of any nature. His greatest asset in this regard is a knack of dealing with persons of varying views and obtaining a consentient program. He described Mr. ROCKEFELLER as an open, straightforward person who abhors shady or tricky dealings. He feels he is a decisive man with strong opinions, but not an unreasonable man. He said that the nominee will listen to others and if convinced, will modify his views. Mr. [redacted] stated he holds Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be an outstanding patriot, honest, reliable, and strong physically, mentally and emotionally. Mr. [redacted] stated he had no information of a derogatory nature regarding ROCKEFELLER and supports fully ROCKEFELLER's nomination as Vice-President of the United States.

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ELLIS O. BRIGGS, Career Ambassador, United States Government, was interviewed at his summer residence at Topsfield, Maine, on August 23, 1974. He advised that he was employed as an officer of the State Department from 1925 to 1962. During the period 1937-1940, he was Assistant Chief to the Division of Latin American Affairs in the State Department, Washington, D. C. He was Ambassador to the Dominican Republic from approximately March 21, 1944 to January, 1945. He said that following the presidential election of 1944, all United States Ambassadors submitted their resignations.

He said that at that time the nominee, as Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Affairs, accepted his resignation. He said that he was the only Ambassador whose resignation was accepted at that time. He said that although he was removed as Ambassador to the Dominican Republic, his career was not ruined as he remained with the State Department and later served in six embassies.

BRIGGS stated that the nominee was appointed to the position of Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs during World War II. He said that the functions of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs were loosely defined and duplicated many of the functions of the State Department in Latin America. He and the nominee frequently "locked horns" on official matters and matters of policy with regard to foreign affairs in Latin America. He said these differences were with regard to matters of policy regarding Latin American affairs and not personal. He said the nominee was appointed Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Affairs on December 20, 1944, after three or four years as Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, and served in the capacity of Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Affairs through August 17, 1945. He said he questions the nominee's ability with regard to foreign affairs, particularly with regard to Latin American affairs and that he bases this statement primarily on his knowledge of the nominee during the period the nominee was employed as Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs and as Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Affairs.

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He said his differences with the nominee were not personal; that his differences with nominee were on matters of policy regarding Latin American affairs. He said the nominee favored the friendly approach and good neighbor policy by means of aid programs. He said that he, ELLIS O. BRIGGS, questioned the aid program approach with regard to Latin American Affairs and whether or not it made substantial political friends and kept the aided country from going communist. He said his own approach was a firm approach with very selective aid programs and some "quid pro quo" from the aided nation.

He said he knows of no reason to question the nominee's loyalty to the United States and he considers him a loyal American. He further stated that he has no reason to question the nominee's ability as Governor of New York or his ability as an administrator. He said he knows of no reason to question the character or reputation of the nominee. He said he preferred to make no statement with regard to recommending the nominee for the position of Vice-President of the United States in view of the fact he has been away from the Washington scene since 1962.



Mr. THOMAS J. WATSON, North Haven, Maine, advised on August 26, 1974 that he has known the nominee since prior to World War II. He stated that his primary contact with Governor ROCKEFELLER came in connection with his duties as Chairman of the Board of the IBM Corporation in New York, New York. He stated, however, that at the outset he was privileged to be appointed to the Board of Directors of a small theatre group in New York City, which was sponsored by the ROCKEFELLER family. He stated that that was his first contact with Governor ROCKEFELLER and thereafter he had contact with the Governor from time to time and followed his activities in the Department of State. He further advised that he served on the Board of Directors of the Rockefeller Foundation for a period of ten years and during that time became acquainted with all members of the ROCKEFELLER family. He stated that presently he is a neighbor of JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR. at North Haven, Maine. Mr. WATSON stated that he considers himself to be a close friend of DAVID and LAURENCE ROCKEFELLER and has served with LAURENCE ROCKEFELLER in connection with many business and charitable activities in the New York area. He also pointed out that he accepted a nomination from Governor ROCKEFELLER to serve on the Hudson River Valley Commission and in connection with all these duties came to admire and respect the Governor's intellectual and administrative abilities. Mr. WATSON stated that he wished to point out that he normally considers himself a member of the Democratic Party but would state that he would back Governor ROCKEFELLER for any position for which he was nominated or chose to run. He advised that he could not think of any individual in the United States who is better qualified to be Vice-President of the United States. He considers the character of Governor ROCKEFELLER to be exemplary and he knows of no information directly or indirectly which unfavorably reflects upon the Governor's character, reputation, or loyalty to the United States. He advised that he cannot find praise high enough for the Governor in connection with this matter and would recommend him without reservation to the Congress for confirmation as the Vice-President.

On August 23, 1974, General LUCIUS D. CLAY, Retired, United States Army, Republican, with office at [redacted], New York City, New York, was interviewed at Square Sea, Pine Road, North Chatham, Massachusetts. General CLAY advised he first came to know ROCKEFELLER when ROCKEFELLER was serving in the Administration of FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT. Since that time, he has had frequent and extensive contact with ROCKEFELLER, both professionally and socially, and last saw him within the past year. He has the highest possible regard for the nominee's ability as an administrator and considers his intelligence, experience, and general overall ability to be of the most exceptional nature. He considers ROCKEFELLER to be a person of moderate habits socially and to be a somewhat reserved individual from a social standpoint, consistent with a person of his position in life. His regard for ROCKEFELLER's character, reputation, associates, and loyalty to the United States is unquestioned. General CLAY stated that he would recommend the nominee for any position or job in the United States, including that of President or Vice-President.

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On August 26, 1974, Dr. EDWIN H. LAND, President, Polaroid Corporation, [redacted], Cambridge, Massachusetts, stated that he has been associated with the nominee, professionally and socially, for approximately twenty years. He said his association with nominee has been closer the past several years since they have been members of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board.

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Dr. LAND stated the nominee is a person dedicated to this country, its people, and public affairs. He added that the nominee's integrity and competency are unquestionable and that President FORD has made an excellent selection for the Vice-Presidency of the United States. He recommended nominee for the position of Vice-President of the United States.



On August 27, 1974, WILLIAM S. BEINECKE, Chairman of the Board, Sperry and Hutchinson Company, 330 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, who is currently residing at [REDACTED] Chatham, Massachusetts, advised he had met the Vice-Presidential nominee on only one occasion and knows him only as a public figure. He indicated he had been a member of the Governor's Club in New York City, which was a group of several hundred sponsors of ROCKEFELLER, during the period of his Governorship in New York. He indicated based on his knowledge of ROCKEFELLER as a public figure, he would support and recommend him for the position of Vice President.

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On August 27, 1974, JOHN HURLING, News Correspondent, who resides at [REDACTED], Bethesda, Maryland, and who is currently vacationing at Menemsha, Massachusetts, advised he first met NELSON ROCKEFELLER in Washington, D.C. in 1940 when ROCKEFELLER had served as Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs and HURLING had been associated with this group. This association with ROCKEFELLER continued when ROCKEFELLER served as Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs in 1945, and later in 1953 when ROCKEFELLER served as Under Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare. He recalled throughout this period he had maintained personal and professional contacts with ROCKEFELLER on social and labor-related matters. This association continued over the years of ROCKEFELLER's Governorship of New York State and HURLING recalled his last personal contact with ROCKEFELLER had been in 1972 when ROCKEFELLER had appeared at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., during the period when HURLING had served as Chairman of the Speakers Committee for that group.

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He described ROCKEFELLER as a very intelligent, capable, and loyal American of excellent character and reputation who is devoted to the public good and whom he would highly recommend for the position of Vice President.

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On August 26, 1974, JOHN S. STILLMAN, Attorney, residence address [REDACTED], Cornwall-On-Hudson, Orange County, New York, advised he has summered at Seal Harbor, Maine, for the past five years and that he knows the nominee socially. He further advised that during the period 1959-1960, he was a member of the Bridge Authority in New York State and had occasional contact with the nominee in that capacity. He considers nominee a loyal American and a very capable individual. He considers the nominee a person of good character, reputation and associates. He said he would recommend the nominee for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

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MEMBER OF JUDICIARY

On August 27, 1974, WILLIAM H. TIMBERS, United States Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, 915 Lafayette Drive, Bridgeport, Connecticut, residence address [REDACTED], Darien, Connecticut, summer residence Surry, Maine, advised he has had only limited contact with the nominee. He stated that he worked on the nominee's early campaign for Governor during the approximate period 1956-1960. He advised that the nominee was a trustee of Dartmouth College. He said that he personally was President of the Alumni Association of Dartmouth College during the approximate period 1964-1971. He advised that a joint meeting of the trustees and Alumni Association was held in January of each year and that he may have been in contact with the nominee three or four times during that period in connection with the meetings at Dartmouth College. He said he knows of nothing derogatory regarding the nominee. He considers the nominee a loyal American of excellent character, associates and reputation. He said that based on his knowledge of the nominee, he considers him a very capable individual and said he would recommend the nominee without question for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

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CREDIT

It should be noted that there is no credit reporting agency for Hanover, New Hampshire.

On August 26, 1974, Mrs. [REDACTED], Credit Bureau of Bangor, 61 Main Street, Bangor, Maine, advised that the files contain no record identifiable with the nominee.

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On August 22, 1974, [redacted] Police Department, Hanover, New Hampshire, advised that the files contain no record identifiable with nominee.

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On August 22, 1974, [redacted] Clerk, Identification Division, New Hampshire State Police, Concord, New Hampshire, a central repository for arrest records in the State of New Hampshire, advised that the files contain no record identifiable with nominee.

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On August 22, 1974, Mrs. [redacted] Clerk, State Bureau of Identification, Maine State Police, Augusta, Maine, a central repository for all criminal conviction records in the State of Maine, advised that the files contain no record identifiable with nominee, MARY TODHUNTER CLARK ROCKEFELLER, MARGARETTA FITLER MURPHY ROCKEFELLER, RODMAN CLARK ROCKEFELLER. [redacted] or DAVID ROCKEFELLER.

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On August 22, 1974, Deputy [redacted] [redacted] Hancock County Sheriff's Office, Ellsworth, Maine, advised that the files contain no record identifiable with nominee, his wife, ex-wife, children or brother DAVID. It is to be noted that office covers Seal Harbor, Maine.

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He related that he has known nominee and the members of his family for years, explaining that nominee has a summer home at Seal Harbor. He said nominee's brother, DAVID, also has a summer home at Seal Harbor. He advised that the nominee and all members of the ROCKEFELLER family have been excellent residents of the community. He stated that he is not well acquainted with the nominee, adding he knows of nothing unfavorable concerning nominee. He recommended nominee for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

He advised that the nominee, his wife and [redacted] are currently vacationing at Seal Harbor, adding that nominee's brother, DAVID,

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and his wife, MARGARET, also are currently vacationing at their home at Seal Harbor. He said all members of the ROCKEFELLER family enjoy an excellent reputation in the area.

On August 22, 1974, LYMAN KANE, Chief of Police, Bar Harbor, Maine, advised that the files contain no record identifiable with nominee or the members of his family.

On August 22, 1974, Sergeant [redacted] Northeast Harbor Police Department, Northeast Harbor, Maine, advised that the files contain no record identifiable with nominee or the members of his family.

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[redacted] advised that he has known the nominee as a vacation resident of the area for about 40 years, adding that nominee, his wife and their two young children are currently vacationing at their home at Seal Harbor. He said the nominee's brother, DAVID, and the latter's wife, MARGARET, are also vacationing at their home at Seal Harbor. He stated that nominee's first wife is currently residing on South Shore Road, Northeast Harbor, Maine.

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[redacted] informed that he is acquainted with the nominee and said he knows of nothing of an unfavorable nature concerning the nominee. He stated the nominee and all members of the family possess a good reputation in the area. He recommended the nominee for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

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MISCELLANEOUS

On August 22, 1974, Mr. [REDACTED] State Tax Assessor, Bureau of Taxation, Maine Department of Finance and Administration, State Office Building, Augusta, Maine, advised that the nominee, being domiciled in the State of New York, is liable to Maine State income tax as a non-resident only if he had reported income derived from sources in Maine. He said that no such record exists and stated that there is no record of tax liability or tax delinquency for the nominee in the files of his office.

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On August 22, 1974, [REDACTED], Treasurer and Tax Collector, Northeast Harbor, Maine, which office collects the taxes for Seal Harbor, Maine, advised that the files reveal no delinquencies or tax liens outstanding against the nominee.

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He related that he has known the nominee since the 1940's and has found him to be a man of excellent character, reputation and associates and an asset to that area of Maine. He said that he knows of nothing of an unfavorable nature concerning nominee. He recommended nominee without reservation for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

On August 22, 1974, Mrs. [REDACTED], Registry of Deeds Office, Hancock County, Ellsworth, Maine, advised that a review of the files of that office revealed no covenants pertaining to race, color, creed or religion attached to any real property presently owned or that has been owned by the nominee.

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## Copy to:

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]  
August 27, 1974

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BALTIMORE

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Field Office File #:

Baltimore 161-3961

Bureau File #: 161-6197

Title:

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

## Synopsis:

ARTHUR A. HOUGHTON, JR., Wye Plantation, Wye Mills, Maryland, member of the Board of Directors of Corning Glassware Inc., retired member of Boards of Directors of U. S. Steel, U. S. Trust Company and New York Life Insurance Company, advised he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER and the ROCKEFELLER family since childhood. HOUGHTON has served as Vice-Chairman of Finance for ROCKEFELLER's Presidential campaigns of 1960 and 1964. He has served in the same capacity for gubernatorial campaign for ROCKEFELLER in State of New York. HOUGHTON described ROCKEFELLER family as "the most distinguished family in America." He described nominee as man of highest integrity and reputation in both private and professional life. HOUGHTON stated ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to America is unquestioned and his desire to serve his country is his foremost concern. HOUGHTON stated that nominee has a genius for administration and has the ability to communicate with people in all walks of life. HOUGHTON advised he knew of no derogatory information regarding nominee and would recommend him without reservation for the position of Vice-President of the United States. No [REDACTED]

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The following investigation was conducted on August 26, 1974, by SA [REDACTED]

ARTHUR A. HOUGHTON, JR., Wye Plantation, Wye Mills, Maryland, was advised that the background investigation regarding NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER was being conducted at the request of the White House. Mr. HOUGHTON advised that he is currently a member of the Board of Directors for Corning Glassware Inc. and that he is a retired member of the Boards of Directors of the U. S. Steel Company, U. S Trust Company, and New York Life Insurance Company.

Mr. HOUGHTON advised he has known the ROCKEFELLER family since childhood, although he was not a close personal friend of the nominee until after he, HOUGHTON, served as Vice-Chairman of Finance for the 1960 and 1964 Presidential Nomination campaigns for ROCKEFELLER. He advised he served in the same capacity for ROCKEFELLER's gubernatorial campaign in the State of New York. Mr. HOUGHTON advised he has served on the Board of Directors for the ROCKEFELLER Foundation and is Vice-Chairman of the Rockefeller Center in New York. Mr. HOUGHTON advised that in all his associations with the ROCKEFELLER family he has formed the opinion that the ROCKEFELLER family is the most distinguished family in America. He advised that the nominee is an individual of the highest personal integrity. Mr. HOUGHTON advised that he knows numerous associates of the nominee and that the nominee has an excellent reputation among these individuals. HOUGHTON stated that ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to America is above question. He advised that he knows from personal experience that ROCKEFELLER has made many political and private decisions based solely on what he felt was good for America. HOUGHTON advised that ROCKEFELLER's foremost concern is to serve his country and his fellow man.

HOUGHTON advised that he had served on several Boards with the nominee and has always been impressed with his ability to communicate with people. He stated ROCKEFELLER has a genius for administrative work and is extremely thorough and devoted to any task he undertakes.

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HOUGHTON advised he knows both HAPPY ROCKEFELLER, the nominee's wife, and the nominee's former wife, MARY TODD. HOUGHTON stated he considers both to be outstanding individuals.

HOUGHTON advised he knows of no derogatory information regarding the nominee and would highly recommend him, without reservation, for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

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Field Office File #: 161-2939

Bureau File #: 161-6197

Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Associates, Chicago, advised nominee of impeccable character, loyalty, associates, habits and reputation. Further characterized ROCKEFELLER as good administrator, well qualified and endorsed for Vice-Presidency of the U.S.

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DETAILS:Associates

ROBERT WILLIAM GALVIN  
Motorola, Incorporated  
5725 East River Road  
Chicago, Illinois

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On August 27, 1974, Mr. GALVIN, Chairman of the Board, Motorola, Incorporated, O'Hare Plaza, supra, advised he has known the nominee on a professional and very limited social basis for the past year or so as a fellow member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board (PFIAB). GALVIN stated he knows ROCKEFELLER in the political arena and by reputation at least 15 years and described him as an unquestionably loyal patriotic person of great moral character,

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associates and habits. He related the nominee is very humane, intelligent, articulate, unbiased, religiously as well as racially, and an excellent selection for the Vice-Presidency of the United States. GALVIN characterized ROCKEFELLER further as a good administrator, industrious and tenacious. He said he does not belong to any exclusionary organizations and is well qualified for the nomination. GALVIN stated ROCKEFELLER enjoys an outstanding professional and personal reputation and since he knows of "no negatives" would unhesitantly endorse ROCKEFELLER for the nomination of Vice-President of the United States.

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ROBERT DOUGLAS STUART, Jr.  
Quaker Oats and Company  
345 Merchandise Mart  
Chicago, Illinois

On August 27, 1974, Mr. STUART, President and Chief Executive Officer, supra, advised he has known the nominee "off and on" through the Republican Party associations at least 15 years. He described ROCKEFELLER as a "great American", who had been a great Governor for many years of the second largest state in the union and who is of impeccable character, integrity, reputation and morals. STUART advised the nominee exemplifies good judgment, is unbiased, tactful in all matters and is an excellent selection for the Vice-Presidency of the United States. STUART related further he knows of no excessive habits or questionable groups or organizations to which the nominee might belong and would without reservation endorse ROCKEFELLER for the nomination of Vice-President of the United States.

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Report of:

Date:

August 27, 1974

Office: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Title:

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Attorney [ ] recommends.

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DETAILS:

MISCELLANEOUS

On August 26, 1974, Attorney [ ] of Fried, Frank, Harris, Scriber, and Jacobson, of New York City, N.Y., was contacted at Host Farms Motel, Lancaster, Pa., and advised that his firm handled some legal work for the nominee and that he only was involved in a small portion of the work and was not personally acquainted with Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. [ ] stated that, based on Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S reputation, he would recommend him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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## Copy to:

Report of: SA EDGAR C. FOREST  
Date: AUGUST 27, 1974

Office: NEW HAVEN

Field Office File #: NH 161-1751

Bureau File #:

Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Mr. [REDACTED], Old Lyme, Ct., a Trustee for certain private family trusts set up by JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, II, advised he has had limited contact with Governor ROCKEFELLER for many years. He believes nominee has sensitivity to needs of U. S. Mr. [REDACTED] noted nothing detrimental to nomination and advised, "I am happy with the nomination".

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Mr. [REDACTED], Old Lyme, Connecticut, advised that he had been active in international finance until his retirement four years ago. He noted that one of the nominee's sisters-in-law was a bridesmaid for Mrs. [REDACTED]. For about 20 years, Mr. [REDACTED] has been one of five Trustees for certain private family trusts set up by JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, II, for his children and grandchildren. He said that over the years he has had limited contact with Governor ROCKEFELLER and has always found him to be friendly, personable and sincere. He said that in early years particularly, the nominee was the most gregarious of the ROCKEFELLER family. He said that whereas at one time he wondered if the nominee was shallow in his thinking and concerned primarily with being popular, he subsequently realized the nominee is a man of perception and wisdom. He said this was specifically illustrated to him in 1968 when the nominee was among the first to see the dangers of pollution, and in 1970 when the nominee expressed shrewd judgement with respect to certain investment choices.

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Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he believes the nominee has a sensitivity to the needs of the United States and, therefore, would be of value to the present Administration. He said that, on the basis of his contact with nominee and his knowledge of the ROCKEFELLER family, he knows of nothing which might be considered detrimental to Governor ROCKEFELLER's nomination. He said, "I am happy with the nomination".

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Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: Newark, New Jersey

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Date:

8/27/74

Field Office File #:

161-2191

Bureau File #:

161-6197

Title:

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

RICHARD B. SELLARS, Chairman of the Board, Johnson and Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and Dr. WILLIAM O. BAKER, President, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., Murray Hill, New Jersey, both recommend ROCKEFELLER as outstanding choice for Vice Presidential appointment.

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RICHARD B. SELLARS  
Chairman of the Board  
Johnson and Johnson  
New Brunswick, New Jersey  
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Mr. SELLARS advised Special Agent [REDACTED] on August 26, 1974, that he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER for 15 years since SELLARS occupied the post of Treasurer for the Republican National Committee in the 1960s. Mr. SELLARS believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER eminently qualified to fill the post of Vice President and compliments President FORD on his selection of the nominee. He considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER dedicated, capable, and a skillful administrator, who has clearly established himself in politics and in the administration of New York State affairs as Governor. He considers him unusually knowledgeable in international affairs, particularly relating to South America. Mr. SELLARS further advised that the FORD-ROCKEFELLER team affords the opportunity for new perspectives and approaches. Mr. SELLARS advised that he knows most of the ROCKEFELLER family, including DAVID ROCKEFELLER, and has a high regard for the entire family. He believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be an outstanding choice for the Vice President post.

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Dr. WILLIAM O. BAKER, President, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., 600 Mountain Avenue, Murray Hill, New Jersey, on August 26, 1974, advised that he has known the nominee for some fourteen (14) years and as a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board since approximately 1970 or 1971, has worked with him extensively.

Nominee exhibits statesmanship and clear understanding of hazards by possible hostile forces in international affairs, is non-extremist in his views, is clear, stable and has superb balance in his analysis of such affairs.

Dr. BAKER considers ROCKEFELLER to possess the highest patriotism and dedication to the United States. His depth of study ~~of~~ future choices of this country in disposition of its resources and in all matters pertaining to our nation's welfare is tremendous. ROCKEFELLER is exceedingly discreet, knowledgeable, and capable in his handling of delicate national and international matters.

Dr. BAKER considers ROCKEFELLER to possess the highest credentials for the nomination of Vice President in these troubled times and so recommends.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau teletype to WFO, 8/21/74, New York teletype to Bureau, 8/23/74, Minneapolis teletype to Bureau, 8/27/74, and Minneapolis report of SAC RICHARD G. HELD, 3/28/69.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Investigative period includes interview of HAROLD LEVANDER, Governor, State of Minnesota, March 27, 1969. This interview is incorporated into captioned report.

Referenced Minneapolis teletype to the Bureau sets out lead for Boston Division to interview ALEX J. MC FARLAND, Attorney with law firm of Herrick, Smith, Donald and Farley, Boston, Massachusetts.

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Report of:

Date:

August 27, 1974

Office: MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

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Field Office File #: 161-510

Bureau File #: 161-6197

Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

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Synopsis:

HAROLD LEVANDER, former Republican Governor of Minnesota, interviewed and describes nominee as possessing outstanding ability as governmental administrator and organizer. He has penetrating knowledge of domestic and foreign affairs and should be of great assistance to the President. Nothing derogatory developed. JOHN S. PILLSBURY, JR., Chairman, Northwestern National Life Insurance Company, acquainted with ROCKEFELLER 10 to 12 years. JAMES P. MC FARLAND, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, General Mills, Incorporated, has been acquainted with ROCKEFELLER since 1929. Above advised ROCKEFELLER's integrity, character and interest in the welfare of the United States <sup>are</sup> of the highest degree. Both feel he is the best nominee available in the United States. CHARLES H. BELL, Chairman, Executive Committee (retired), General Mills, Incorporated, met ROCKEFELLER on one occasion in 1968, Minneapolis, Minnesota. To his knowledge, ROCKEFELLER's character, loyalty and administrative ability are unquestionable. On March 27, 1969, Governor HAROLD LEVANDER, St. Paul, Minnesota, advised he had been acquainted with the nominee close to ten years. Stated character, loyalty and ability of the highest and he would have no hesitancy in recommending him for a position of trust.

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DETAILS:Acquaintances

On August 22, 1974, Mr. HAROLD LEVANDER, Attorney, South



St. Paul, Minnesota, and former Republican Governor of the State of Minnesota, was interviewed. He advised as follows:

He has known Mr. ROCKEFELLER on a close personal basis for the past fifteen years. They met while both attended various governors' meetings and conferences. Since then he has been a guest in Mr. ROCKEFELLER's home.

Mr. ROCKEFELLER displays unusual knowledge of problems in government, and it is easily apparent that nominee is an outstanding administrator and organizer. He has traveled widely throughout the world and the United States. He has organized a highly competent staff which assembles pertinent information for him concerning both foreign and domestic affairs. Mr. ROCKEFELLER possesses a unique organizational ability in that he is able to utilize this information in a most competent fashion.

Mr. LEVANDER described Mr. ROCKEFELLER as being a humble person, and even though he possesses great wealth is neither boastful nor ostentatious. He treats subordinates in a considerate fashion and is comfortable with people from any walk of life or any race.

Mr. LEVANDER pointed out that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is his first choice for Vice President of the United States, and therefore he sent a telegram to the President urging him to nominate Mr. ROCKEFELLER for this position.

Mr. LEVANDER knows of nothing derogatory concerning the nominee and believes him to be a person of outstanding loyalty, reputation and character. Due to Mr. ROCKEFELLER's remarkable abilities, Mr. LEVANDER feels he should be of great assistance to the President.

JOHN S. PILLSBURY, JR., Chairman, Northwestern National Life Insurance Company, 20 Washington Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was contacted on August 26, 1974, at which time he advised he has been acquainted with Mr. ROCKEFELLER for 10 to 12 years. His contact with Mr. ROCKEFELLER has been mostly through Republican political activities and social functions. In 1968, PILLSBURY was elected as an alternate delegate to the Republican Convention held in Miami, Florida, where he spoke with ROCKEFELLER. He has always considered ROCKEFELLER an extremely efficient administrator and is very pleased that ROCKEFELLER has received the nomination to be Vice President of the United States.

He considers ROCKEFELLER's character, loyalty and interest in the welfare of the United States to be of the highest degree and has no question as to his administrative ability.

JAMES P. MC FARLAND, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, General Mills, Incorporated, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was contacted on August 26, 1974, at which time he advised he first became acquainted with Mr. ROCKEFELLER in the Fall of 1929 at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, where Mr. ROCKEFELLER was a senior and he was a freshman. MC FARLAND's older brother, ALEX J. MC FARLAND, was a classmate of Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S.

Since that time, his association with Mr. ROCKEFELLER has been through political activities and business and civic enterprises. He considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to have great integrity, great character, and a great interest in the welfare of the United States. He feels Mr. ROCKEFELLER truly wants to do what he can to make America great. Mr. ROCKEFELLER's administrative ability is superb and he has an exceptional ability to choose individuals for his various business and political staffs of the highest degree of ability. He considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER's background to be excellent and considers him to be an excellent nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.

CHARLES H. BELL, Chairman, Executive Committee (retired), General Mills, Incorporated, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was contacted on August 26, 1974, at which time he advised he has only met Mr. ROCKEFELLER in 1968 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, at a Republican Party function. To his knowledge, Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character, loyalty and administrative ability are unquestionable.

The following is the result of an interview with HAROLD LEVANDER then Governor of the State of Minnesota, on March 27, 1969, regarding Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

At St. Paul, Minnesota

Governor HAROLD LEVANDER was personally contacted on March 27, 1969, at his office. He advised that he had had a close personal relationship with Governor ROCKEFELLER for close to ten years. He stated that the nominee had been a representative at many local, state, and national conventions and that he, LEVANDER, had served with him on most of these committees. He added that he had also worked very closely with Governor ROCKEFELLER the past

few years on the National Governors Conferences and as a result had grown to consider him a man of great integrity whose only interest, other than his family, was the welfare and future of his country.

Governor LEVANDER advised that as a result of their close association both he and his wife had stayed at the Governor's Mansion in Albany, New York, on many occasions and had grown to consider the nominee and his wife, HAPPY, as two of their closest friends. He added that he considered Governor ROCKEFELLER to be one of the most capable individuals in the United States today and a man in whom he would have no hesitancy in recommending for any position of trust. He concluded by stating that he felt honored and proud that the Governor had listed him as a reference.

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## Copy to:

Report of: DONALD W. KUNO Office: SAN FRANCISCO  
Date: August 27, 1974  
Field Office File #: 161-2450 Bureau File #: 161-6197  
Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

## Synopsis:

DAVID PACKARD, Hewlett-Packard Company, Palo Alto, California, recommends ROCKEFELLER and stated ROCKEFELLER has his strong and unqualified support.

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On August 26, 1974, Mr. DAVID PACKARD, President, Hewlett-Packard Company, 1501 Page Mill Road, stated he had known Mr. ROCKEFELLER for 15 years or since Mr. ROCKEFELLER became Governor of the State of New York. They attended several meetings in Washington, D.C., prior to 1972 when Mr. PACKARD was Deputy Secretary of the Defense Department. Mr. PACKARD described ROCKEFELLER as a man who was loyal, capable, responsible, and a man of unquestioned integrity, character and associates. He stated that ROCKEFELLER was a strong supporter of a strong national defense and is an outstanding citizen. Mr. PACKARD stated that he was giving Mr. ROCKEFELLER his strong and unqualified support.

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Copy to:

Report of: SA JOHN R. HAWKEN  
Date: August 27, 1974

Office: ST. LOUIS

Field Office File #: SL 161-3399

Bureau File #: 161-6197

Title: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

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Synopsis:

ROCKEFELLER employed by United States Commercial Company, Washington, D. C.; terminated by resignation. Employed by State Department, Washington, D. C., two occasions; terminated by resignations. Employed by Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, Albany, New York; terminated by reason of expiration of term. CHARLES H. SOMMER, Monsanto Company, AUGUST A. BUSCH, JR. and AUGUST A. BUSCH, III, Anheuser Busch, St. Louis, Missouri, advised they are not personally acquainted with ROCKEFELLER and only know of him by reputation. None were able to furnish information of an unfavorable nature concerning ROCKEFELLER.

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DETAILS:National Personnel Records Center (Civilian), St. Louis, Missouri

On August 27, 1974, a review by Special Clerk [ ] of the personnel records on file at the National Personnel Records Center (Civilian Personnel Records), 111 Winnebago Street, disclosed that NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, Social Security Account Number 056-09-0954, was appointed on May 15, 1942 as a member of the Board of Directors of the United

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Commercial Company, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, at Washington, D. C. This appointment was terminated on June 22, 1942 by reason of resignation. The reason for resignation was not shown.

He was employed on December 20, 1944 by Presidential appointment as an Assistant Secretary of State with the Department of State, Office of the Assistant Secretary for American Republic Affairs, at Washington, D. C. This employment was terminated on August 25, 1945 by reason of resignation. The reason for resignation was not shown.

He was employed on November 24, 1950 by Presidential appointment as Chairman, on a per diem basis, when actually employed with the Department of State, Technical Cooperation Administration, International Development Advisory Board, at Washington, D. C. This employment was terminated on November 5, 1951 by reason of resignation. The reason for resignation was not shown.

He was employed on November 10, 1965 by Presidential appointment as a member, without compensation, with the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations at Albany, New York. This employment was terminated on May 21, 1970 by reason of expiration of term of appointment.

His date of birth was shown as July 8, 1908, place not indicated.

#### Business Leaders of St. Louis Area

On August 26, 1974, Mr. CHARLES H. SOMMER, Chairman, Monsanto Company, 800 North Lindbergh Boulevard, St. Louis County, Missouri, advised that his knowledge of the ROCKEFELLER family is a result of his association over the past ten years with Mr. DAVID ROCKEFELLER, Chairman of the Chase - Manhattan Bank, New York City, New York. Mr. SOMMER said that he is well acquainted with DAVID ROCKEFELLER and noted that they traveled

together some nine years ago to attend a National Industrial Conference Board meeting that was held in Montevideo, Uruguay. He described DAVID ROCKEFELLER as an extremely ethical individual of unquestionable loyalty to the United States and who possesses the highest character, reputation, and associations.

Continuing, Mr. SOMMER stated that during the past five years he has been at gatherings at which NELSON ROCKEFELLER was also in attendance. On both of these occasions he shook hands with ROCKEFELLER. Mr. SOMMER said that this has been the only contact and/or association with the nominee. Mr. SOMMER was unable to recall exactly where or when these two gatherings took place but he did state that they were business-oriented meetings.

Outside of his two encounters with the nominee as related above, Mr. SOMMER advised that he knows of ROCKEFELLER only by reputation and through his brother, DAVID. In this regard, Mr. SOMMER related that he has heard many complimentary things as to the ability, character, reputation, associations, and loyalty of the nominee. He said he has never heard of any information of a derogatory nature concerning ROCKEFELLER and has no reason to believe that ROCKEFELLER would not qualify for the position of Vice-President of the United States.

On August 27, 1974, Mr. AUGUST A. BUSCH, JR., Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Anheuser Busch, Incorporated, 721 Pestalozzi, St. Louis, Missouri, advised that possibly he had met NELSON ROCKEFELLER in the past but that if he had, he was unable to recall the circumstances. Mr. BUSCH said that his knowledge of NELSON ROCKEFELLER has been obtained through his acquaintanceship with ROCKEFELLER's late brother, WINTHROP, and through the news media. Mr. BUSCH said that he knows of absolutely nothing of an adverse or unfavorable nature concerning the loyalty, character, reputation, and associations of the nominee. He said that he feels NELSON ROCKEFELLER is a fine choice for the office of the Vice-Presidency of the United States.



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On August 27, 1974, Mr. AUGUST A. BUSCH, III, President, Anheuser Busch, Incorporated, advised that he has never met NELSON ROCKEFELLER. He said that he only knows of ROCKEFELLER through what he has read and learned through the news media. He said that he neither knows nor has heard of anything that would reflect unfavorably upon the ability, character, reputation, associations, or loyalty of NELSON ROCKEFELLER.

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Report of: **ROBERT L. BRANNON, JR.**  
Date: **8/27/74**

Office: **Pittsburgh, Pa.**

Field Office File #: **161-1124**

Bureau File #: **161-6197**

Title: **NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER**

Character: **SPECIAL INQUIRY**

Synopsis:

**Business associates recommend the nominee.**

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DETAILS:

The investigation at Meadville, Pa., was conducted by SA ROBERT L. BRANNON, JR.; and at Pittsburgh, Pa., by SA MICHAEL J. O'NEILL.

BUSINESS ASSOCIATES

On August 23, 1974, the Secretary to H. J. HEINZ, II, H. J. Heinz Co., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, advised Mr. HEINZ is presently in Johannesburg, South Africa, and not expected to return to Pittsburgh, Pa., until September 8, 1974.

On August 23, 1974, HENRY L. HILLMAN, The Hillman Company, Grant Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., advised he is casually acquainted with the nominee and considers him an excellent choice for Vice-President. Nominee has good judgment and ability in management affairs and Mr. HILLMAN can think of nothing in the nominee's background which in any way could be construed as derogatory. Mr. HILLMAN said that in his association with the nominee all of his activities with regard to business and finances have been entirely above board. He feels that the nominee did an excellent job as Governor of the State of New York, in managing what Mr. HILLMAN described as a State with extreme management difficulties. He said the nominee takes a stand and does not vacillate; that nominee is unquestionably a loyal American of the highest character, reputation and associations; and that nominee faces the facts and makes a decision. Mr. HILLMAN concluded that he would give the nominee the highest recommendation for the position as Vice-President.

On August 26, 1974, RAYMOND P. SHAFER, [REDACTED] Street, Meadville, Pa., advised he is a former Governor of Pennsylvania, and held that office from 1967 to 1971. Mr. SHAFER stated he has known the nominee for approximately ten years and considers the nominee of exemplary character. SHAFER stated nominee is honest, intelligent, sincere, energetic and absolutely trustworthy and reliable.

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SHAFER stated nominee is completely dedicated to the public interest and has dedicated his entire life to public service. He also stated nominee is a man of great wealth, interested and concerned for the people. SHAFER considered

nominee one of the outstanding political leaders in the world today and believes the United States and the world needs more leaders with his ability and dedication. SHAFER advised nominee inspires trust, confidence and loyalty in other people and there is no question as to the nominee's loyalty to the United States. SHAFER also stated the nominee chooses his associates carefully from people of high ethical quality. SHAFER also advised the nominee is of good reputation. He stated he would highly recommend the nominee for a position of trust with the United States Government.

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Title:

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER

Character:

SPECIAL INQUIRY

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Synopsis:

RONALD H. TILLS, Republican Representative, New York State Legislature, 528 Legislative Office Building, Albany, and 44 Union Street, Hamburg, New York, advised he was knowledgeable of ROCKEFELLER as Governor for the past five years when he served as a New York Representative. TILLS advised ROCKEFELLER was respected as a leader and organizer, but had heard criticism of his fiscal policies while Governor of New York.

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DETAILS:- POLITICAL ACQUAINTANCE -

RONALD H. TILLS, Republican Representative, New York State Legislature, business addresses 528 Legislative Office Building, Albany, New York, and 44 Union Street, Hamburg, New York, was interviewed on August 24, 1974, at the Lincoln Highway Holiday Inn, Mishawaka, Indiana.

TILLS advised he represented Southern Erie County, New York, and was in the South Bend, Indiana, area attending a planning conference concerning the Lake Erie Pollution Commission.

TILLS advised he was acquainted with the activities of ROCKEFELLER who served as Governor of the State of New York during the past five years while TILLS acted in capacity as a New York Republican Representative. He stated he never had a close working relationship with ROCKEFELLER inasmuch as ROCKEFELLER isolated himself with his immediate staff members. TILLS indicated that it was rare when any politician other than an immediate staff member would confer with the then Governor.

ROCKEFELLER, in his capacity as Governor, generally conferred with his staff members. TILLS' comments relating to ROCKEFELLER are favorable, and he indicated that ROCKEFELLER is respected as a leader and an organizer. TILLS advised he had heard critical remarks concerning ROCKEFELLER in two areas; first, that ROCKEFELLER was unable to cut State spending and stop tax increases, and, second, many of TILLS' constituents while he was Republican Representative resented ROCKEFELLER's vast wealth, stating that instead of "raising taxes, ROCKEFELLER should pay the bills himself."

TILLS stated he knew no derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER. He could recall no Governmental project or State contract which could be used unfavorably against ROCKEFELLER or the ROCKEFELLER name, indicating that ROCKEFELLER's personal isolation policy may have kept illegal contractors from association with him.

TILLS also indicated that most of the publicity and criticism surrounding ROCKEFELLER's marriage to Mrs. HAPPY ROCKEFELLER has subsided.

TILLS summarized the Vice Presidential nominee as an individual of education and capability whom he considered a careful and very qualified individual for any highly sensitive position in the Federal Government.

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Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY  
Synopsis: Business leaders, Dallas, Texas, contacted,  
and all recommend ROCKEFELLER for Vice-  
President of the United States.

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## DETAILS:

BUSINESS LEADERS

## AT DALLAS, TEXAS

On August 26, 1974, SAMMY WYLY, Chairman of the Board of Wyly Corporation, Dallas, advised he has known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER approximately ten years. He recommended ROCKEFELLER as being of excellent character, good morals, and a very capable individual. He stated he thought ROCKEFELLER would make an excellent Vice-President of the United States.

On August 26, 1974, Mr. STANLEY MARCUS, Chairman of the Board, Neiman-Marcus, Dallas, was contacted and advised he would recommend NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER as to character, reputation, loyalty, and believed he would make an outstanding Vice-President for the United States.

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On August 27, 1974, Mr. HARVEY L. LAWRENCE, Chairman of the Board, Braniff Airways, Inc., Dallas, advised he has known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for approximately ten years and knew him professionally as well as socially, and recommended him as to character, reputation, loyalty, and a good American citizen. He highly recommended ROCKEFELLER for a position of Vice-President of the United States.

On August 27, 1974, Mr. RALPH B. ROGERS, Chairman of Board of Texas Industries, Inc., Dallas, advised he had known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for approximately eight years. He stated he, ROGERS, was asked by DAVID ROCKEFELLER, a New York banker to head up NELSON ROCKEFELLER campaign in Texas, in 1968, when NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER was seeking the nomination of the Republican ticket for President of the United States. During this period he traveled extensively with ROCKEFELLER and came to know him as a person of good character, morals, and reputation, and highly recommended him as Vice-President of the United States.

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Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis: Numerous individuals, including past and present state and local officials and judges, Federal, religious and business leaders, members of the news media, civil rights, union and political leaders and law enforcement officers were interviewed concerning NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER. Most commented favorably and recommended. Some persons, including opposing politicians, objected to ROCKEFELLER'S nomination as Vice-President based upon party differences. Some indicated, since they did not want ROCKEFELLER as Governor, they do not want him as Vice-President. Others disliked his fiscal policies while he was Governor of New York and would not want to see these policies instituted on a Federal level. Information regarding indictment in November, 1973, of New York State Speaker of the Assembly PERRY B. DURYEA set forth. NYS Right To Life committee opposed nomination of ROCKEFELLER due to his support of permissive abortion. New York State Assemblyman JAMES MC CABE, Johnson City, NY made allegation regarding nominee's handling of the South Mall project; resulting investigation set forth. Information from records of NYS Court of Appeals, Albany, NY regarding suits instituted by Assemblyman HERBERT A. POSNER against Governor of New York (ROCKEFELLER) and other State officials set forth. Credit check; no record. NYS Department of Taxation and Finance advised tax information confidential under law, however, Commissioner stated ROCKEFELLER not delinquent in filing State income tax.

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DETAILS:

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INTERVIEWS OF STATE OFFICIALS,  
PAST AND PRESENT

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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Major General ALMERIN C. O'HARA, United States Army (retired), Commissioner of New York State Office of General Services, 41st Floor, Tower Building, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York, who resides at [ ], Loudonville, New York, advised he became acquainted with Governor ROCKEFELLER when the Governor appointed him to be the Military Chief of Staff and head of the New York State Division of Military and Naval Affairs in October, 1959. General O'HARA has been closely acquainted with the Governor on a business level since that time. In February, 1971, Governor ROCKEFELLER appointed O'HARA to Acting Commissioner of New York State Office of General Services and he later became the Commissioner. O'HARA also served (from June, 1973, until November, 1973) as Special Assistant to ROCKEFELLER's new Dangerous Drug Control Program, which consisted of hiring several district attorneys, probation officers, etc. General O'HARA is also serving as Special Assistant to New York State Governor MALCOLM WILSON as Director of New York State Emergency Fuel Office.

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General O'HARA stated that Governor ROCKEFELLER is by far the most qualified candidate for the position of Vice President of the United States and he is extremely pleased that President FORD nominated him. General O'HARA stated ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States is beyond question and his administrative abilities have been proven time and time again. ROCKEFELLER personally traveled with General O'HARA to Rochester, New York, in 1962 or 1963 to handle a major riot which was occurring at that time. After a fair and intelligent analysis, ROCKEFELLER concluded that the only alternative was to call out the National Guard to quickly quell the disturbance. ROCKEFELLER was decisive in this instance as he later proved to be in all major instances.

Other major New York State disturbances have occurred during ROCKEFELLER's tenure as Governor, such as the sanitation strike in New York City and ROCKEFELLER handled this disturbance but decided the National Guard was not necessary on that occasion.

During the Attica Prison revolt, General O'HARA and several other key, top ROCKEFELLER aides were in constant, minute by minute contact with ROCKEFELLER and although they



regret the end result of the prison revolt, they firmly stand behind every decision that ROCKEFELLER made at the time. ROCKEFELLER has always appointed top men to the various State official positions and then has allowed these men latitude with which to make their personal decisions. In the Attica Prison revolt, ROCKEFELLER stood by his convictions and supported the decisions of Director of Corrections RUSSELL OSWALD.

General O'HARA stated that ROCKEFELLER has extraordinary administrative abilities and has the capability to foresee in advance what problems might arise in the future and to take the necessary corrective action. A prime example of this occurred when ROCKEFELLER realized that the New York State system of higher education would be greatly deficient within ten years in terms of student output if remedial actions were not taken. ROCKEFELLER immediately established a large construction program and the State University of New York is now one of the finest and largest universities in the country.

General O'HARA feels ROCKEFELLER will be a figure of great strength to the national and international scene and will be the greatest asset President FORD could acquire. ROCKEFELLER has never discriminated against minority groups and in fact has attempted to increase the employment of such groups within his State administration. General O'HARA is not aware of any derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER's morals, or associates and stated he would highly recommend him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on August 22, 1974, at Albany, New York:

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Mr. FRANK A. WALKLEY, Commissioner, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, advised he has known the nominee on a personal and professional basis since approximately 1965. During this period, he has known the nominee to be of excellent character and loyalty. He advised that he knows of nothing in the nominee's past positions which may serve to embarrass Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

He advised that the nominee has the ability to attract and assign capable people to his staff. He said the nominee is a man of his word and he respects this trait in Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

Commissioner WALKLEY stated that he was a Republican Assemblyman during the Attica difficulties. As Assemblyman, part of his district consisted of Attica, and he served in this district until being appointed Commissioner in July, of 1972.

During the Attica difficulties, he was thoroughly satisfied with the way the nominee's administration handled the operations at the prison. Commissioner WALKLEY stated that he was at the prison during the period involved and even though the nominee was not personally at the scene, he was capably and well represented by his staff. It is his feeling that this period of difficulty should not reflect derogatorily on the nominee. The Commissioner advised he would recommend the nominee for a high Federal administrative position.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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Attorney RICHARD LAWRENCE, a member of the Republican Party, and Chairman of the New York State Adirondack Park Agency (APA), who resides in Elizabethtown, New York, advised he was appointed by ROCKEFELLER, to the Chairmanship of the APA in September, 1971.

LAWRENCE advised that he has had numerous occasions to meet nominee. LAWRENCE advised that most of his contact was through ROCKEFELLER's secretary and legal counsel.

LAWRENCE stated that he considers ROCKEFELLER to be the most capable and dedicated public servant in the country, and an innovative administrator. He advised ROCKEFELLER had demonstrated outstanding ability in the choice of his staff and works with the staff effectively. Therefore, LAWRENCE said he would recommend the nominee most highly and without any reservation for the Vice Presidency.

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MELVIN H. OSTERMAN, JR., [ ], Delmar, New York, Republican, advised that he was Assistant Counsel to former Governor NELSON ROCKEFELLER from 1961 to 1964, at which time he retired to enter private law practice. He said he returned to the Governor's staff in 1967 as Special Counsel - Employee Relations, and remained in this capacity until 1972, when he was designated as Director of Employee Relations.

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He advised that all of his contacts with ROCKEFELLER have been of an official nature.

OSTERMAN stated that ROCKEFELLER is a truly remarkable innovator, who possesses the ability to get to the heart of a problem immediately after listening to a lengthy discussion. He said that ROCKEFELLER was always available to staff members and surrounded himself with competent people on whom he relied for advice and direction in the accomplishments of his legislative programs. He stated that ROCKEFELLER backed up his subordinates if he thought they were correct in their appraisal of situations and problems. He said that ROCKEFELLER is the type of administrator who is open to constructive suggestions and constantly devotes his drive and energies to programs which he feels are beneficial to the people.

OSTERMAN advised that he has no reason to question the character, morals, reputation, and loyalty of ROCKEFELLER and feels that President FORD has selected a person of irreproachable background and one who will be a definite asset to the FORD Administration.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ] on August 26, 1974, at Saratoga Springs.

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NATHANIEL L. GOLDSTEIN, Republican, [ ] Avenue, New York, New York, was contacted at the Gideon Putnam Hotel, Saratoga Springs. Mr. GOLDSTEIN is the senior partner in the law firm of GOLDSTEIN, SHAMES and HYDE, 655 Madison Avenue, New York, New York.

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Mr. GOLDSTEIN said that he was the Attorney General for the State of New York from 1943 until 1955 during the governorship of THOMAS E. DEWEY. He met ROCKEFELLER in 1949 at a dinner in New York City, honoring ALFRED E. SMITH, and they conversed at length concerning ROCKEFELLER'S interest in government, political affairs and in public office. Subsequently, they met at luncheons to discuss the above topics.

In early 1950, Lieutenant Governor FRANK C. MOORE told Mr. GOLDSTEIN he did not want to run again for the Lieutenant Governorship, but wanted to devote himself to public service. Realizing that MOORE was a top expert in state and local government affairs, Mr. GOLDSTEIN met with ROCKEFELLER and presented the idea of founding the "Government Affairs Foundation," to gather information from villages and small towns in New York State to develop beneficial programs. Mr. GOLDSTEIN suggested that the foundation utilize Mr. MOORE'S talents and suggested that MOORE serve as President of the Foundation, with ROCKEFELLER as Chairman, and GOLDSTEIN as unpaid counsel.

ROCKEFELLER liked the idea and told GOLDSTEIN to supply the format, and ROCKEFELLER would supply some of the funds and his brothers would also supply some. Mr. GOLDSTEIN said that about \$100,000.00 a year ought to carry the operation and suggested that ROCKEFELLER'S various experts be encouraged to furnish advice. ROCKEFELLER agreed to this arrangement and supplied office, space, and secretarial help. The foundation ran well into the 1950's.

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In 1952, President DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, now deceased, offered ROCKEFELLER the position of Under Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare. ROCKEFELLER consulted with Mr. GOLDSTEIN, who recommended he take the position. During the 1950's, Mr. GOLDSTEIN founded the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City and was attempting to raise funds for the College at a testimonial dinner planned by GOLDSTEIN for ROCKEFELLER. ROCKEFELLER anonymously donated \$25,000.00 to the College.

Mr. GOLDSTEIN feels that ROCKEFELLER positively has no animosity toward anyone because of religion, race, or origin.

Continuing, Mr. GOLDSTEIN said that ROCKEFELLER remained an Under Secretary in Washington D. C. for three years, and in 1957, he consulted with Mr. GOLDSTEIN about running for Mayor of New York City. In 1958, he did encourage ROCKEFELLER to run for the Governorship in New York State, a successful candidacy.

Mr. GOLDSTEIN remained very friendly with ROCKEFELLER during the period of his governorship and regularly visited him in his New York City home. He is acquainted with ROCKEFELLER'S first wife, MARY, but is not as well acquainted with his present wife, "HAPPY." Since the divorce from his wife, MARY, there has not been close social contact.

Mr. GOLDSTEIN feels that there is no one he knows who has a strong interest in good government and a commitment for helping others who can compare to ROCKEFELLER. His loyalty to the United States is positively without question. He knows of nothing derogatory concerning him. He feels ROCKEFELLER has an excellent character and his associates are above reproach. He has high regard for ROCKEFELLER'S administrative and executive abilities, and thinks that ROCKEFELLER is the best possible choice for Vice President of the United States.



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General THEODORE W. PARKER, Loudonville, New York, advised that he worked for the nominee during 1955-1956 in Washington, D. C., while Mr. ROCKEFELLER was Special Assistant to the President.

General PARKER advised that he retired from the United States Army as a General approximately five years ago and following his retirement was appointed Commissioner of Transportation, State of New York, by the nominee and served in that capacity for approximately three years.

He advised the nominee is a man of excellent character, loyalty and associations.

General PARKER stated that one of the best qualities of the nominee is his ability to pick qualified individuals for positions for his staff. He considers the nominee to be highly qualified as an administrator and would recommend Mr. ROCKEFELLER for a high Federal administrative position.



The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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Mr. PAUL D. MC CANN, retired, former Deputy Director, New York State Identification and Intelligence System, residing at [redacted], Albany, New York, stated that during his tenure with the State of New York, he had limited contact with former Governor NELSON ROCKEFELLER in various conferences and that during 1966 when Mr. ROCKEFELLER was holding his town meetings he had travelled with the Governor and participated in the meetings.

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Mr. MC CANN stated that the Governor is one of the most knowledgeable men regarding government that he has ever known. He stated that during the town meetings, the Governor was asked many and varied questions regarding the State Government and he was always able to expound on these. He stated the nominee never lost his composure during these meetings, even though much pressure was applied, at times. Mr. MC CANN further stated that the nominee never appeared to grow tired or lose his enthusiasm although these meetings were long and tiring.

Mr. MC CANN stated that during these meetings and travels, he never heard the nominee make an unkind remark against anyone or any group. Further, he never knew the nominee to say or do anything that would reflect unfavorably upon his character, reputation or morals.

Mr. MC CANN stated his personal opinion is that the nominee is a man of integrity, with exceptional talents in dealing with people and government and feels he is an excellent choice to be Vice-President of the United States and would highly recommend him for this position.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent RENE J. DUMAINE on August 26, 1974, at Albany, New York:

Major DONALD J. GUIRY, New York State Police, no political affiliation, advised he is presently the Officer in Charge of the New York State Governor's Bodyguard Detail and has been so assigned since December, 1970. He advised that as a Senior Investigator he was responsible for the advance security work for NELSON ROCKEFELLER'S state election campaign in 1966 and was assigned a twelve county area. In 1968 he also did the advance security work for NELSON ROCKEFELLER'S presidential campaign. In September, 1969, he was assigned full time to the Governor's Bodyguard Detail as second in command to Major EDWARD GALVIN, New York State Police (now retired).

Major GUIRY advised that he is responsible for the security of the Governor of New York State wherever he travels. However, the Governor's security in New York City is handled by men under Major GUIRY'S command and on occasion he has handled the security there personally.

Major GUIRY advised that he had travelled with NELSON ROCKEFELLER from September, 1969 until the Governor resigned, on a 24 hour basis. In these travels he has been throughout the entire United States, South America, Europe, Israel and other countries. During almost all of his travels with Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Major GUIRY'S living expenses were paid by the Governor and not New York State. The occasions when ROCKEFELLER did not pay his expenses were on several campaign trips throughout New York State where their expenses would be paid by the Republican State Committee or the various Republican leaders in the county or area where they were campaigning. He has read in newspaper articles concerning excessive campaign expenses; however, he has no personal knowledge of this and in fact is of the strong opinion that any monies expended by Mr. ROCKEFELLER during campaigns would fall within the limits of the law.

Major GUIRY described ROCKEFELLER as a man of great individual personal charm and a gentleman at all times and under all situations. He has heard from time to time of vicious unfounded rumors to the effect that ROCKEFELLER could be classified as a "ladies man". Major GUIRY labeled these rumors as completely

erroneous based on his own close association with ROCKEFELLER and noted that on hundreds of occasions he has personally "locked NELSON ROCKEFELLER in his hotel room" and knew that he was in the room alone. Major GUIRY said that he has absolutely no reason to place any foundation in any such gossip.

Major GUIRY stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is an individual of strong personal courage and has on many occasions gone through with appearances, speeches, etcetera, when there has been a threat of possible physical harm. He classified Mr. ROCKEFELLER as an individual who "would not back down from anybody". Major GUIRY said that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has a great feeling for people, has compassion for the underprivileged, and has a great desire to meet with people and discuss matters with them.

Major GUIRY went on to say that during his time with Mr. ROCKEFELLER he always treated Major GUIRY as a gentleman and said that he can recite numerous instances where Mr. ROCKEFELLER went out of his way to insure that the men assigned to the bodyguard detail were comfortable and were well cared for.

Major GUIRY considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be a dedicated individual who was brought up in and interested in public service. He considers him to be a philanthropist, a "down-to-earth" person and very thoughtful and considerate of others. In summary, Major GUIRY advised that he classifies Mr. ROCKEFELLER as a "man's man" of impeccable character, unquestionable loyalty to the United States and its principles, whom he would highly recommend for the position of Vice President of the United States.

Major GUIRY advised that he has also been closely associated with all members of Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S family and considers them to be individuals above reproach.

JOSEPH T. BLAIR, no political affiliation, Senior Investigator, New York State Police, advised that he has been permanently assigned as the second in command of the Governor of New York Bodyguard Detail since December, 1970. He is assigned in Albany and travels with the Governor everywhere except New York City. He advised that during this time he has been associated with Mr. ROCKEFELLER on a close personal 24-hour-a-day basis and that to his knowledge Mr. ROCKEFELLER has never engaged in any conduct that could be considered improper by any standards. During his travels, with rare exception, his

personal expenses were paid by Mr. ROCKEFELLER. On occasion during campaigns the funds were made available by the various Republican committees into whose territories the Governor campaigned. He said that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be an individual of impeccable character and unquestionable loyalty to the United States. He went on to say that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER a gentleman in every sense of the word and has a great deal of respect for him. BLAIR stated that there is no question in his mind that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is qualified for and can capably handle the office of Vice President of the United States. He stated that he has absolutely no hesitancy in recommending Mr. ROCKEFELLER for this position.

Mr. EDWARD M. GALVIN, no political affiliation, advised that he retired from the New York State Police with the rank of Major in December, 1970. During his career, he was in charge of the New York State Governor's Bodyguard Detail from 1945 until his retirement. He is well acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER since he was associated with him on a 24-hour basis for approximately 12 years, and has traveled with him throughout the United States and overseas. During this time he also became well acquainted with members of the Governor's family.

He was with the Governor during all political campaigns and during these times, never heard anything out of the ordinary concerning the Governor's campaign expenses. During the course of his travels with the Governor and his family, on a private basis, the Governor would pay for all of GALVIN's expenses out of his own pocket. Also during the campaign trips, GALVIN's hotel or motel room expense would be handled, however, he is not aware as to actually who paid the bills, Mr. ROCKEFELLER or the Republican Party.

Mr. GALVIN went on to say that he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a very outgoing person with considerable charm and/or charisma. During his tenure with ROCKEFELLER he was never aware of any hint of personal scandal and said he would have been the individual to investigate any rumors of any personal misconduct on the part of Mr. ROCKEFELLER. He said that the Governor's divorce was handled amicably and that the dissolution of the marriage was by mutual consent.



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GALVIN also advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is a very considerate and appreciative person, who is very much at home meeting with people and discussing matters with them. In summary, Mr. GALVIN advised that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be an individual of outstanding character, and unquestionable loyalty to the the United States. He said that he could offer nothing but praise for Mr. ROCKEFELLER and would highly recommend him to be the Vice President of the United States. Mr. GALVIN also advised that he considers all members of ROCKEFELLER's family to be above reproach.

Captain [redacted], Republican, Troop G, New York State Police, advised that he was assigned to the New York State Governor's Body-guard Detail, full time from 1966 to 1969, during which time he was closely associated with NELSON ROCKEFELLER on a 24-hour basis and has traveled with him throughout the United States and Latin America. He said during that time he never heard anything detrimental to Mr. ROCKEFELLER's personal character, and never observed him committing any indiscreet actions. In fact, Captain [redacted] characterized ROCKEFELLER as an absolute gentleman, of great personal charm and magnetism. He stated that ROCKEFELLER was extremely courteous and considerate of other people, even going to extremes to make sure that the individuals accompanying the Governor were well accommodated for.

He said he would classify Mr. ROCKEFELLER as being of excellent moral character, highly intelligent, well qualified in his political endeavors, and of unquestioned loyalty to the United States. Captain [redacted] stated that he would highly recommend Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be the Vice President of the United States.

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Captain [ ] advised that he is also acquainted with all the other members of ROCKEFELLER's family and considers them to be outstanding individuals.

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Senior Investigator TONY HOAGKAMP, Democrat, Troop G, New York State Police, advised that he has been associated with the New York State Governor's Body - guard Detail since 1963 and supplements the regular detail when the Governor is in the Troop G area.

HOAGKAMP advised that in all his years of association with ROCKEFELLER, he has never heard any rumor or observed any indication which would reflect adversely on the Governor's relationship with his wife. He said that he believes ROCKEFELLER to be one of the finest men he has ever met and that he holds him in the highest esteem. HOAGKAMP knows from conversation with other individuals who work with ROCKEFELLER that they also have the highest regard for him. He considers ROCKEFELLER to be an intelligent, excellent speaker and has been with him on many occasions when the Governor has debated with various militant groups, which ROCKEFELLER handled in an outstanding manner, both in presenting his views and combating the views of the other groups. He said that he has never had any reason whatsoever to doubt ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States nor has he ever heard anyone make any adverse comment about ROCKEFELLER's loyalty. HOAGKAMP advised that in his personal opinion, he thinks ROCKEFELLER will make an outstanding Vice President of the United States.

HOAGKAMP further advised that he is acquainted with all the members of ROCKEFELLER's family and considers them to be of the highest caliber.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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[ ] Republican, Special Assistant to the Speaker for the New York State Assembly, Albany, New York, advised that he has known ROCKEFELLER for approximately ten years on a professional level and also casually on a social level. He advised that NELSON ROCKEFELLER has what he considers excellent character and loyalty to the United States. During his association with ROCKEFELLER he observed him to act only in the best interests of his constituents. As far as ROCKEFELLER's administrative ability is concerned, [ ] stated he would consider him to be the most outstanding choice in the country and bases this on his 15 years of public service in the State of New York. [ ] stated that he knows Mr. ROCKEFELLER's wife to be a "perfect lady". [ ] concluded that he would wholeheartedly recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States and again stated that he considers him to be the most qualified person in the country for that position.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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MARTIN S. AUER, Republican, Senator, State of New York, Syracuse, New York, advised that he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER personally for the last ten years, both on a professional and social basis. He advised that when he first became acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER he, AUER, was a State Assemblyman from 1959 to 1966 and from 1969 to 1973, he was a Republican County Chairman.

Over this period, he has had several private talks with ROCKEFELLER on various legislative matters and feels that he is fully qualified to handle the position for which he was nominated.

Senator AUER advised that he has the highest respect for NELSON ROCKEFELLER and considers him to be a brilliant man in handling government affairs, both domestically and internationally.

Senator AUER advised that ROCKEFELLER has excellent rapport with minority groups and has their interests at heart. Senator AUER advised that he highly recommends ROCKEFELLER for the position for which he is nominated.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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JAMES H. DONOVAN, Republican, New York State Senator, State Office Building, Utica, New York, advised that he has known the nominee for approximately eight years. He considers him to be of excellent, unimpeachable character and morally and ethically above reproach. He described nominee as a strong and true humanitarian. He advised that he considers nominee to possess a "strong backbone on important issues." He personally has dealt with the nominee on legislative issues and has never known him to make a false or misleading statement. Senator DONOVAN added that nominee's loyalty cannot be questioned and that there is no better qualified individual for the position of Vice President. He added ROCKEFELLER'S associates, as far as he, Senator DONOVAN, is aware, are all of fine caliber. Senator DONOVAN described nominee as a superb administrator. He concluded by saying that there is no better man for the position of Vice President than NELSON ROCKEFELLER.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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LEONARD F. BERSANI, Republican Assemblyman for the 118th Assembly District, Syracuse, New York, advised that he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER personally for the last six years. He advised that he has never had any personal conferences with ROCKEFELLER; however, he has had sessions of a group nature with him on legislative matters. Mr. BERSANI advised that he knows of nothing derogatory whatsoever regarding the nominee and feels he is fully qualified in every way, shape and form to handle the position of Vice President. He advised that he highly recommends him for the position for which he has been nominated.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at  
Utica, New York.

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NICHOLAS J. CALOGERO, a Republican New York State Assemblyman representing the 116th District, advised he is acquainted with the nominee, having dealt with him during the last year of the nominee's tenure as Governor of New York State. CALOGERO noted he does not know the nominee well, but considers him to be an intelligent and very able politician and administrator. CALOGERO stated the nominee has an excellent reputation for loyalty and dedication to the public service and as an astute politician.

CALOGERO stated the nominee is an extremely tough politician who will make an excellent Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [REDACTED], on August 23, 1974:

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CHARLES D. COOK, Republican Assemblyman, New York State Legislature, Delhi, New York, advised he does not know Mr. ROCKEFELLER. He advised that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be a man of integrity and honesty. He considers himself somewhat politically aligned with ROCKEFELLER's views. He advised that he knows of no derogatory information concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER and considers him to be a loyal American. He believes that he will make an excellent Vice President, based on the reputation acquired over the years.

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CONSTANCE E. COOK, Republican, New York State Assemblywoman representing Tompkins, Seneca and Yates Counties, who is vacationing in Canada, contacted the Albany Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on August 26, 1974, and spoke with Special Agent FREDERICK J. LONERGAN. Ms. COOK stated she has known ROCKEFELLER since he first became Governor of New York State and would recommend him for any position of trust with the Government. She described his character and reputation as being outstanding. She remarked that ROCKEFELLER, while Governor, had on occasion exhibited courage in taking stands with regard to unpopular issues such as Attica and abortion. In her mind she considers this to be to his credit.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 24, 1974, at  
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PETER S. DOKUCHITZ, Republican, New York State Assemblyman, 113th District, advised that he has been a member of the New York State Legislature for one year. He advised that he has never met ROCKEFELLER and had not worked under his administration while he was Governor of New York State. Mr. DOKUCHITZ advised that his information concerning the nominee has come from the news media and he considers nominee to be a very capable and progressive leader. He stated that in his opinion ROCKEFELLER'S administration as Governor of New York State greatly benefited New York State and he considers the nominee to be a great asset to the United States and feels that he will make an excellent Vice President.



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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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HYMAN M. MILLER, Republican, New York State Assemblyman, Fayetteville, New York, advised that he is not personally acquainted with the nominee. He advised that his only contact with the nominee has been in group sessions with other Assemblymen on legislative matters.

MILLER advised that he knows of nothing derogatory whatsoever regarding the nominee. He advised that in his mind, the nominee has all the qualifications necessary to fill the position for which he has been nominated, and it appears he will be an asset to the FORD Administration. He highly recommended ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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Assemblyman THOMAS J. MURPHY, Republican, Syracuse, New York, advised that he has known the nominee on a professional basis for the last four years as he represents the 121st Assembly District. He advised that his only contacts with the nominee have been in group sessions dealing with legislative matters, and although he has had limited contact with NELSON ROCKEFELLER, he feels that he is qualified to handle the position of Vice President.

MURPHY advised that he knows nothing derogatory regarding the nominee and has the highest respect for him. He further stated he is honored to recommend him for the position for which he has been nominated.

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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WILLIAM R. SEARS, Assemblyman, Republican, 115th Assembly District, [redacted], Woodgate, New York, advised that he has known the nominee professionally for approximately nine years.

WILLIAM SEARS advised; however, that he believes that ROCKEFELLER has used "dirty tricks" in the past and made particular reference to a situation involving Speaker of the Assembly of New York State, PERRY B. DURYEA, Jr., Republican, First Assembly District. He advised that he honestly believes that an effort was made by NELSON ROCKEFELLER conspiring with others to destroy DURYEA as a possible nominee for the Governorship of New York State. He stated that he believes that NELSON ROCKEFELLER was in contact with Attorney General LOUIS LEFKOWITZ and arranged with LEFKOWITZ to have the Assistant District Attorney, [SCOTTI] of New York City, conduct an investigation into the possible violation of election laws on the part of DURYEA.

WILLIAM SEARS stated that ROCKEFELLER and LEFKOWITZ must have known that the election law involved under which DURYEA was investigated was considered unconstitutional. The investigation led to the indictment of DURYEA and destroyed him for the possible Governorship of the State of New York. The indictment was later dismissed, but not until the damage was done against DURYEA'S political reputation. He believes that ROCKEFELLER and LEFKOWITZ conspired together for the purpose of eliminating any rivalry to MALCOLM WILSON as a proposed nominee for the Governorship of the State of New York.

WILLIAM SEARS stated that if NELSON ROCKEFELLER and Attorney General LOUIS LEFKOWITZ were placed under oath, they would have to testify to the fact that such a conspiracy transpired against DURYEA.

WILLIAM SEARS stated that other than the information which is set forth above, he possesses no information that would in anyway impugn the character of NELSON ROCKEFELLER. He considers him to be capable as an administrator and certainly qualified for the position of Vice-President of

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the United States. Regarding his loyalty, WILLIAM SEARS advised that he believes ROCKEFELLER to be extremely loyal to the Constitution of the United States. In referring to his associates, WILLIAM SEARS advised that as far as he knows, they are all of fine reputation.

He advised that he would recommend NELSON ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice-President.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 21 and 22, 1974:

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CLARK C. WEMPLE, Republican Assemblyman for the 107th Assembly District, State of New York, who resides on [ ] Schenectady, New York, advised that he has known the nominee on a professional basis since about 1965. During this period, he has known the nominee to be of good character and to be a loyal American and an honest citizen. He stated that the nominee was very strict with his Administration concerning scandal, and that at the first breath of any scandal, he would initiate investigation. He has never known nor does he believe that the nominee would ever violate a law of the United States.

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WEMPLE stated that the nominee has good administrative ability and is a very capable individual. He said that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is a good, but tough, politician who knows how to use the political system and various management and leadership techniques to obtain his objectives. The nominee's managerial philosophy is to pick a good man for a position, and then let the man be accountable and responsible for future efforts with little day-to-day supervision over the area. WEMPLE stated that one area of disagreement with the nominee is his personal opinion that the nominee would, on occasion, spend money on a program which would sometimes lack soundness. He advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER would often obtain funds for the program and then let those involved in the program use the funds as they deemed necessary.

On August 22, 1974, Mr. WEMPLE advised that his statement in the article entitled, "Area Leaders Agree Rockey has Expertise," which appeared in the "Schenectady Gazette" on August 21, 1974, is a true reflection of his views. This article said in part, "Schenectady Assemblyman CLARK C. WEMPLE, who Monday urged that ROCKEFELLER not be nominated, said the 'incompatibility' between President FORD and ROCKEFELLER 'is a concern to me, because their records in terms of spending are at opposite poles.' WEMPLE also said he has 'reservations as to whether Mr. ROCKEFELLER can adjust to sitting in the

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rumble seat instead of the driver's seat. He has had just about anything he has ever wanted. He has always had his way, including today (the nomination)."

"He said a 'substantial adjustment will have to be made or ROCKEFELLER and KISSINGER will be the dominant forces in Washington. ROCKEFELLER is a compelling force; he's not given to taking 'no' for an answer."

"WEMPLE said, 'I wonder how he can mesh with President FORD in a secondary and subordinate position. He's not used to it."

"On the other hand, WEMPLE said, 'there has never been a breath of scandal involving Mr. ROCKEFELLER as Governor of New York, and that's quite a phenomenon."

"He said his opposition to the nomination of ROCKEFELLER 'is not a personal vendetta. I just feel the President could have made a wiser choice."

Mr. WEMPLE advised that he would recommend the nominee for a high administrative position but added that he would prefer another individual for the position of Vice President.

It is noted the "Schenectady Gazette" is a daily newspaper published in Schenectady, New York.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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RICHARD A. BROWN, [ ], Bridgeport, New York, former Republican Assemblyman for the then 122nd Assembly District, advised that he knew the nominee while an Assemblyman from 1968 to 1973. He advised that he attended many meetings with the former Governor in his office. Although he feels that NELSON ROCKEFELLER was sometimes more progressive and leaned toward money spending more than he should, he feels that NELSON ROCKEFELLER as Vice President would be good for the nation. He added that NELSON ROCKEFELLER's loyalty is above question, that he is a person of excellent moral character and that ROCKEFELLER's known associates enjoy a fine reputation. He advised that he would highly recommend NELSON ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.



The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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JOHN BUCKLEY, former New York State Republican Assemblyman, 408 Lomond Place, New Hartford, New York advised that he had been in the Assembly for six years and was personally acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER. He advised further, he has been with him socially on several occasions visiting ROCKEFELLER'S home near Tarrytown, New York.

JOHN BUCKLEY stated he considers NELSON ROCKEFELLER to be extremely able as a government administrator, very diligent in his work as well as being extremely persuasive in his approach to the Legislature. He believes that NELSON ROCKEFELLER is amazing in his mastery of detail on any one given problem. He personally has been in conversation with employees of the Governor's office who had daily and close contact with NELSON ROCKEFELLER. He has never heard a word spoken by them which would be considered other than a compliment. All of the associates of the former Governor are of outstanding character as far as he could determine while he was an Assemblyman.

JOHN BUCKLEY advised that he highly recommends NELSON ROCKEFELLER as Vice-President.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ]  
[ ] on August 26, 1974, at Syracuse, New York:

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GEORGE H. VAN LENGEN, former Secretary of New York State Assembly, 1965, and former Democratic Chairman for Onondaga County from 1962 to 1966, advised he has met the nominee on several occasions due to his position as Chairman of the Democratic Party for Onondaga County.

VAN LENGEN further advised that the nominee, in his opinion, is fully qualified to handle the position for which he was nominated. He further advised that he knows nothing derogatory regarding the nominee.

VAN LENGEN further advised that he highly recommends the nominee for the position of Vice President as he feels he is the best person qualified for the position.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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Mrs. [ ], [ ],  
New Hartford, New York, permanent residence in Englewood,  
Florida, advised that she has been casually acquainted  
with NELSON ROCKEFELLER during his public life. She  
formerly was active in local politics in Oneida County,  
and was a Republican appointee on a commission to study  
public welfare. She made very favorable comments regarding  
ROCKEFELLER and advised that her impressions are partly  
based on the statements of [ ], ALLEN DULLES,  
the former CIA Director. Her only reservation is that  
ROCKEFELLER had a reputation of being too extravagant a  
spender of the public tax dollar while Governor of New  
York. She feels that he is an extremely capable executive,  
and his broad range of public service makes him eminently  
qualified to serve as Vice President of the United States.  
She said that she would not allow his divorce to withhold  
her recommendation because that does not seem to be in  
the minds of many people as it once was. She said that  
she certainly knows of nothing that would reflect unfavorably  
upon his loyalty to the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 23, 1974, at Saratoga, New York:

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ALFRED G. VANDERBILT, Chairman of the Board, New York Racing Commission, advised he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER socially for the past twenty years, and he considers him to be a person of excellent character and associates. He said the nominee is a loyal American and he has never heard anything of a derogatory nature concerning him.

[ ], Steward, New York State Racing and Wagering Board, stated he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER personally for the past twelve years, and considers him an excellent choice as Vice President of the United States. He said ROCKEFELLER is an outstanding American of high integrity.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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ROBERT V. DANIELS, Democrat, State Senator for Chittenden County, Burlington, Vermont, advised he has no personal knowledge of the nominee and cannot make any comments as to his character, associates, reputation or loyalty, or his administrative ability to function as Vice President of the United States.

DANIELS advised the only information he has on the nominee is from the news media, and because of this, he is unable to make any comments regarding the nominee.

CLARENCE G. LeCLAIR, Democrat, House of Representatives, District 1-4, Burlington, Vermont, and formerly (14 years) a Democratic member of the Board of Aldermen in Burlington, Vermont, advised he has no personal knowledge of the nominee and is unable to comment on his administrative ability or his ability to function as Vice President of the United States.

LeCLAIR stated the only information he has concerning the nominee is what he obtains from the news media, and he is not able to make any comments as to nominee's character, reputation or loyalty.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent JAMES C. MEE on August 26, 1974:

Mr. THOMAS CANDON, Democratic Minority Leader, Vermont State Legislature, Rutland, Vermont, advised while he is not personally acquainted with the nominee, he has no information indicating to him he would not make a satisfactory choice for Vice President of the United States. He said in his opinion the nominee is politically astute and a very able administrator, and he believes he would be a satisfactory Vice President.

Mrs. FLORENCE ROBILLARD, Democratic Representative from the City of Rutland, Vermont, to the Vermont State Legislature, stated in her opinion the nominee's appointment as Vice President was "cut and dried" long before the resignation of President NIXON. She stated; however, she believes the nominee has expertise in government administration and in particular with relations with South American countries. She further advised she has had no personal contact with the nominee and knows of no particular reason why he should not be considered for appointment as Vice President.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED] on August 26, 1974, at Montpelier,  
Vermont.

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JOSEPH JAMELE, JR., Democrat, Secretary for Civil and Military Affairs for the State of Vermont, advised his only knowledge of ROCKEFELLER is from the news media, and although he knows nothing derogatory about him, he does not feel qualified to make any comment regarding ROCKEFELLER's acceptability for the position of Vice President.

ORESTES V. VALSANGIACOMO, Democrat, Representative to the Vermont House of Delegates from Barre, Vermont, advised he has no personal association with ROCKEFELLER, but regards ROCKEFELLER as a good choice for the position of Vice President, based on the impression he has formed of him as a result of information obtained from public sources.



The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent EDWARD P. HOGAN on August 27, 1974:

CHARLES STOCKMEISTER, Democrat, Deputy Commissioner, New York State Civil Service Commission, advised he was a member of the New York State Legislature in the late 1940s and was defeated in 1950. STOCKMEISTER received an appointment to the Alcohol Beverage Control Board in Monroe County which position he held for several years. He is also retired from Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York, where he was employed for over 30 years.

STOCKMEISTER related that he was again elected to the New York State Assembly from a District which was normally Republican, in the late 1950s and he served in the Legislature until 1969 when he was appointed to his present position as Deputy Commissioner, New York State Civil Service Commission, by the then Governor, NELSON ROCKEFELLER.

STOCKMEISTER related that while serving in the New York State Assembly he supported ANTHONY TRAVIA who was the Democratic Speaker of the Assembly and opposed STANLEY STEINGUT, a Democrat who was interested in becoming Speaker of the Assembly.

STOCKMEISTER stated that ANTHONY TRAVIA was appointed U.S. District Judge in the Southern District of New York in 1969, and that just prior to this appointment the Republican Party became the Majority Party in the New York State Assembly and as a result, STANLEY STEINGUT became the leader of the Minority Democratic Party in the Assembly.

According to STOCKMEISTER, STEINGUT remembered that STOCKMEISTER was a supporter of TRAVIA during his time in the Assembly and STEINGUT removed STOCKMEISTER from the important committees on which he was serving.

STOCKMEISTER stated that he realized that as long as STEINGUT was in control of the Democratic Minority in the Assembly he did not have any future as an Assemblyman. He stated that about that time a position as Deputy Commissioner in the Civil Service Commission was open. He advised that the Civil Service Commission is composed of two Republicans and one Democrat and since the opening was for a Democratic appointee to the Deputy Commissioner's position, he sought out the appointment.

STOCKMEISTER stated that he contacted various members of the Democratic Party and also members of the Republican Party in an effort to get this position. He added that the Republicans were very favorable toward him because they felt that if they gave him the appointment to the Deputy Commissionership, that a Republican could then be elected to the Assembly from his District in the Rochester, New York area.

STOCKMEISTER stated that when he received this appointment, EUGENE NICKERSON, who was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of New York State, accused him of selling out to ROCKEFELLER on the issue of the increase in New York Sales Tax. STOCKMEISTER stated that he did vote for the increase in the New York Sales Tax but did so only after consulting with the constituents in his District. He added that he and one other Democrat were the only ones who voted for the increase of the sales tax which passed in the Assembly 78 to 72.

STOCKMEISTER advised that ARNOLD PROSKIN, Albany County District Attorney at the time, investigated the charges made by EUGENE NICKERSON that he, STOCKMEISTER, sold out to ROCKEFELLER and that the District Attorney's investigation cleared STOCKMEISTER and ROCKEFELLER of any wrongdoing.

STOCKMEISTER stated that he knows Mr. ROCKEFELLER and has met him socially on several occasions but that he never met with ROCKEFELLER in the Governor's Office.

STOCKMEISTER exhibited a clipping from "The Times Union", an Albany County newspaper, dated February 27, 1970, in which ARNOLD PROSKIN, Albany County District Attorney, stated that the allegations against STOCKMEISTER were "baseless in fact and law".

STOCKMEISTER advised that he considers ROCKEFELLER an honorable gentleman who did a good job as Governor of New York State and that he thinks President FORD made an excellent choice in nominating ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA RENE J. DUMAINE at Albany, New York, on August 26, 1974.

RICHARD J. CONNERS, Democrat, President of the Common Council, City of Albany, New York, advised that he is acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER, having met him on several occasions at official and semi-official functions. He considers ROCKEFELLER to be a gracious, "forthright" individual with a tremendous personality. He has never heard any hint of personal scandal surrounding ROCKEFELLER and considers him to be an individual of impeccable character. He advised that he has no reason to doubt Mr. ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States, and he personally believes that Mr. ROCKEFELLER would place the welfare of his country above any selfish or political considerations. He went on to say that although he is ideologically opposite Mr. ROCKEFELLER in his political views, he has no misgivings whatsoever about ROCKEFELLER's ability or qualifications. Accordingly, he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be eminently qualified for any high Government position and in all fairness feels that he must state Mr. ROCKEFELLER will make an excellent Vice President.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED] on August 27, 1974:

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JOHN E. ROE, Democrat, Corporation Counsel for the City of Albany, New York, advised that he does not know ROCKEFELLER intimately, but has dealt with him since 1962 on a professional basis.

ROE advised even though his political philosophies may be different, he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a loyal American and dedicated to American democracy. ROE advised he could not recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States because he feels ROCKEFELLER, during his terms as Governor, did not sponsor sufficient legislation in consideration of the "little man". Also, he stated, he believes ROCKEFELLER is "too liberal" in his attitude toward fiscal policies, although he (ROE), did not furnish specifics.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 27, 1974, at  
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Mr. WILLIAM F. RICE, Democrat, Albany County Legislator and former Albany County Sheriff from January, 1962, to January, 1968, advised that during his tenure as Sheriff of Albany County, he had some contact with former Governor ROCKEFELLER. He stated that although this contact was limited, he found him to be a person of excellent character and reputation.

Mr. RICE stated that ROCKEFELLER had always been impressive to him when performing the duties of Governor of New York State and although they were of different political faith, he feels that he did an outstanding job as Governor, even though he feels maybe ROCKEFELLER was somewhat overspent in some of his projects.

Mr. RICE stated he feels the nominee is an excellent choice for Vice-President and is hopeful that he will use his talent and ability to help the nation with some of the problems it is faced with today.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent ROBERT W. KENNEDY, on August 22, 1974:

Mr. ALBERT J. EVANS, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Chenango County, Norwich, New York advised that he has known the nominee for 10-15 years through serving in a political office, and has met with him approximately twice each year. He considers the nominee to be a person above reproach, exceedingly capable, and a person who has always enjoyed a very favorable reputation throughout Chenango County.



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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 26, 1974.

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ARTHUR KEARNEY, [ ]  
Saratoga Springs, New York, was contacted. He is a Democrat and currently Chairman of the Saratoga Springs Democratic Committee. He was Mayor of Saratoga Springs from 1964-1965, and has been remotely acquainted with ROCKEFELLER since that period, mainly through ceremonial functions. He feels that ROCKEFELLER is a capable administrator, and he has no reason to doubt ROCKEFELLER's moral character or associates. KEARNEY feels that there is no question about his loyalty to the United States. KEARNEY said that politically he cannot agree with ROCKEFELLER's fiscal policies which he considers much "too liberal." He advised this in no way detracts from the excellent job he feels ROCKEFELLER will do as Vice President.

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Mayor ROBERT CROMIN was contacted at City Hall in Glens Falls, New York. CROMIN is a Democrat who has been Mayor for about four years, and has been slightly acquainted with ROCKEFELLER during this time, primarily through ceremonial functions. He feels that ROCKEFELLER is a man of unquestionable integrity and loyalty to the United States. He has no reason to doubt ROCKEFELLER's morals, character, or caliber of his associates. CROMIN feels that ROCKEFELLER is a very good choice for Vice President and that ROCKEFELLER is a competent administrator.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 26, 1974 at Union, New York:

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ROBERT KROPP, [ ], Johnson City,  
New York, Town of Union, New York, Supervisor and currently  
Democratic nominee for United States Congressman, 27th District,  
advised that he has met nominee on two occasions but feels  
that since he has no personal knowledge of nominee, he can-  
not comment on nominee's character, associates, reputation  
or loyalty. However, Mr. KROPP stated that he considers  
nominee's administrative abilities as outstanding, but would  
not recommend him for the position of Vice President  
of the United States since ROCKEFELLER is a Republican and  
KROPP is a Democrat.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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GUY LUCIANO, [redacted] Vestal, New York, Democratic nominee for Vestal Town Supervisor, advised that ROCKEFELLER'S character is of the highest, his loyalty excellent and his administrative abilities have proven him to be qualified for a high level governmental position. Mr. LUCIANO knows of no derogatory information regarding ROCKEFELLER and highly recommends him for a high Federal administrative position.

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WILLIAM MULLEN, [redacted] Binghamton, New York, Democratic Broome County Legislator, advised that nominee's character is excellent, his loyalty is beyond reproach and the nominee's administrative abilities regarding public spending and administration of New York State policies have proven him to be an excellent administrator as well as politician. He stated he would highly recommend the nominee for a high Federal administrative position.

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DONALD MC MANUS, [redacted] Endicott, New York, Democratic nominee for Broome County Legislature, advised that he cannot comment on ROCKEFELLER'S character, associations, reputation or loyalty since he has no personal knowledge of him. However, Mr. MC MANUS did state that while ROCKEFELLER was Governor of New York State, he had an extremely inflationary monetary policy and spent New York State money haphazardly. He advised that due to his financial position, he has no concept or knowledge of the common man. Mr. MC MANUS stated that due to ROCKEFELLER'S previous monetary policies and commitments, he cannot recommend him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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JOSEPH SZOBODA, [redacted] Endwell, New York, 15th District, Democratic Broome County Legislator, advised that he cannot comment on nominee's character, reputation, associations or loyalty, since nominee is not personally known to him. Mr. SZOBODA stated that he knows of no derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER, however, he does not recommend him for the Vice Presidency since he has taken exception politically with various fiscal policies which occurred during ROCKEFELLER'S term of office as Governor.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 27, 1974, at Syracuse, New York:

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NEIL P. MC CURN, Democrat, President of the Syracuse Common Council, advised that he has known the nominee personally for the last ten years. He advised that he first became acquainted with ROCKEFELLER when he, MC CURN, worked as an attorney for the New York Bar Association.

MC CURN advised that he has been President of the Syracuse Common Council for the last six years and was at one time a delegate to the 1967 New York State Constitutional Convention.

MC CURN advised that he knows nothing derogatory regarding the nominee and feels he is fully qualified to handle the position for which he is nominated.

MC CURN advised that he would recommend the nominee as he is the best choice of all the candidates being considered for the job.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ] and SA [ ] on August 26, 1974, at Albany, New York:

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JOHN T. GARRY, II, Twin Towers Building, Albany, New York, a practicing attorney, advised that he was the Assistant Democratic District Attorney for Albany County from 1955 to 1958, and District Attorney for Albany County from 1958 to 1968. GARRY stated that most of his contact with the Governor's Office were through the Office of Legal Counsel. GARRY stated that at no time did ROCKEFELLER try to influence any of his investigations concerning New York State employees.

GARRY stated that he knows of no problems in ROCKEFELLER's private or public life which would prevent him from becoming Vice President. Mr. GARRY stated that he feels that President FORD has made an excellent choice in nominating ROCKEFELLER for Vice President.

GARRY stated that in his opinion ROCKEFELLER did his best as Governor and is "his own man", and highly recommends ROCKEFELLER for the Vice Presidency.

GARRY stated he feels that ROCKEFELLER is of high moral character and a loyal American.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 27, 1974 at Albany,  
New York:

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Mr. EDWARD M. FISCHER, Democrat, [redacted]  
Street, advised he was Albany County, New York, Sheriff  
from January, 1968 to January, 1974 and is presently  
retired. He stated, as such, he had limited contact  
with former Governor ROCKEFELLER'S office and the  
Governor.

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Mr. FISCHER stated that to his knowledge,  
ROCKEFELLER is a person of excellent character, reputation  
and reputed to be a very hardworking public official.  
He stated he has much respect for ROCKEFELLER and feels  
he will make a good Vice-President for the United States.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted  
by SA [ ] on August 26, 1974.

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WILFRED FISHER, Democratic Mayor for the city of Barre, Vermont, advised he has no first-hand knowledge of ROCKEFELLER, but believes he is a good choice for Vice President, based on the reputation he has acquired in his many years of public service.

EDWARD HARTMAN, former County Chairman of the Democratic Party for the State of Vermont, advised he is not personally acquainted with ROCKEFELLER, and knows nothing regarding ROCKEFELLER'S qualifications which would preclude him from the position of Vice President. He advised, however, that he is opposed to ROCKEFELLER'S appointment inasmuch as ROCKEFELLER has been rejected by his own party in two attempts to attain the Presidential nomination and it does not seem appropriate to place him in a position whereby he might become President without a general election.



III

INTERVIEWS OF JUDGES

STATE

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 25, 1974, at Ithaca, New York:

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FREDERICK B. BRYANT, Tompkins County, New York, Supreme Court Judge, advised he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER since 1959. Judge BRYANT stated at that time he served Tompkins County as Chairman of the Republican Party and met Mr. ROCKEFELLER for political reasons. He stated Tompkins County was the first county, to his knowledge, to endorse ROCKEFELLER for Governor when he initially ran for the office. Judge BRYANT advised since 1959 he has met ROCKEFELLER on numerous occasions in political meetings, both in and around Tompkins County and Albany, New York. Judge BRYANT described ROCKEFELLER as an individual of the highest integrity and an extremely capable administrator. Judge BRYANT stated he holds absolutely no reservation in recommending Mr. ROCKEFELLER for the appointed position of Vice President.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 26, 1974, at Schenectady, New York: b6  
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D. VINCENT CERPITO, New York State Supreme Court Judge, Republican, advised that he has known the nominee on a political and personal basis for many years. Judge CERRITO advised that he served as Assistant District Attorney and District Attorney of Schenectady County for 15 years before he was appointed to the New York State Supreme Court 9 years ago. Judge CERRITO advised he has no question at all concerning the nominee's character and loyalty.

Judge CERRITO advised that he considers the nominee to be an innovative and effective administrator with tremendous drive. During the period that he has known the nominee, he has never known Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be involved in any type of scandal. Judge CERRITO advised he would highly recommend the nominee for a high Federal administrative position.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 26, 1974:

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RICHARD N. DONOVAN, Supreme Court Judge, a member of the Republican Party, Fulton, New York, advised that he does not know the nominee other than what he has read about him in newspapers throughout his 15 years as Governor. Judge DONOVAN advised that he was elected as a Judge 17 years ago on the Republican Platform.

Judge DONOVAN further advised that he knows of nothing derogatory whatsoever regarding the nominee and considers him to be a reliable person with high integrity; however, due to his position he is not allowed to make any recommendation regarding ROCKEFELLER's appointment as Vice President.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent ROBERT W. ROSS on August 26, 1974:

Judge ROBERT E. FISCHER, (Republican), New York State Supreme Court, Binghamton, New York, advised that he has known the nominee on a professional and personal basis for about ten years. Judge FISCHER advised that he was a Deputy Attorney General in the ROCKEFELLER Administration from 1970 - 1973, and as such had the opportunity to observe the nominee's direction of the Attica situation. He advised that ROCKEFELLER used standard accepted procedures in terribly confused situations. He advised that ROCKEFELLER had good intentions in trying to avert a serious problem and had to make several hard decisions. Judge FISCHER stated that no substantial criticism of the nominee would result from subsequent Grand Jury proceedings; however, possible public criticism of his actions may develop, even though unwarranted. Judge FISCHER is unaware of any derogatory information concerning the nominee. He considers ROCKEFELLER to be a man of excellent character and a loyal American. He stated ROCKEFELLER should be able to serve competently as Vice President of the United States.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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Honorable JAMES GIBSON, Republican, Justice of the Supreme Court, State of New York, Albany, New York, advised he has known the nominee on a personal and professional basis for approximately twelve years. Judge GIBSON advised that this relationship has existed since he was formerly presiding Judge of the Supreme Court, Appellate Division, and formerly Judge of the Court of Appeals.

During this period he has known ROCKEFELLER to be of impeccable character and honesty. He said the nominee has shown a complete respect for justice and during the period there was no tinge of politics between the office of the Governor and the Judicial Branch of the Government. He advised the nominee is a completely loyal American.

Judge GIBSON advised that the only organization to which ROCKEFELLER might presently belong is a college fraternity at Dartmouth College.

Judge GIBSON advised that the nominee is an excellent administrator and he is honored to recommend him for the position of Vice President of the United States.



AL 161-695

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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The Honorable GUY A. GRAVES, Justice of the Supreme Court, State of New York, Albany, New York, advised he has known the nominee on a professional basis since approximately 1958. During this period he has known the nominee to be honest, capable, and loyal to the United States.

Judge GRAVES said that the nominee picked excellent people for his staff and had the ability of acquiring excellent experience in his Administration.

He advised that during the nominee's Administra-tion, he believes there were few [redacted] scandals, even though the nominee had a great deal of expenditures and raised what he believes was more funding than any other Governor.

Judge GRAVES advised he would recommend the nominee for a high Federal administrative position.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EDWARD A. MC SHANE on August 21, 1974:

NORMAN L. HARVEY, Judge, New York State Supreme Court, Plattsburgh, New York, has met with the nominee about twice a year for the past 16 years in an official capacity. He believes him to be of strong moral character, and better than average loyalty. He does not feel that he, as an elected public official, should comment on anything other than ROCKEFELLER's personal traits, and he definitely would not comment on his qualifications, but said, "I know of nothing that would indicate to me that there is any reason not to confirm his nomination."

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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The Honorable T. PAUL KANE, Republican, Judge, Supreme Court of New York State, Cobleskill, New York, advised that he has never met Mr. ROCKEFELLER. He advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER appointed him to the Supreme Court of New York State and that the appointment was a political one. He advised that he had been District Attorney of Schoharie County for approximately twelve years before becoming a Judge and during that time he had never seen any indication of wrongdoing by Mr. ROCKEFELLER, who was then Governor of New York State. He advised that it is his opinion that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character is above reproach, and his loyalty to the United States Government is beyond question. He recommended him highly for the position of Vice President of the United States.

The Honorable JOSEPH D. MOLINARI, Supreme Court of New York State, Oneonta, New York, advised that he has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER on three or four occasions. He advised that in his opinion Mr. ROCKEFELLER has done a great deal for humanity through the ROCKEFELLER Foundation, and through other organizations of a similar nature. He stated that although he does not know Mr. ROCKEFELLER personally, he feels that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's vast background in foreign relations and administrative ability, obtained through his years as Governor of New York State, will assist him as Vice President of the United States. He advised that he knows of no derogatory information concerning the nominee and considers him to be a man of impeccable character.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent ROBERT W. ROSS on August 22, 1974:

RICHARD F. KUHNEN, New York State Supreme Court Justice, Binghamton, New York, advised that he has known the nominee for many years in his capacity as a State and local judge. Judge KUHNEN is unaware of any derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER and advised that he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a good choice as nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 23, 1974.

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ROBERT G. MAIN, New York State Supreme Court, Appellate Division Judge, at Malone, New York, advised he had served one term in the New York State Legislature while ROCKEFELLER was Governor and knew him quite well at that time and has maintained a less frequent contact since that time. Judge MAIN advised he is a great admirer of ROCKEFELLER and was one of the first in the New York State Legislature to support him when he first ran for Governor. Judge MAIN advised he feels nominee's character, reputation, and associates are all above reproach. Judge MAIN stated he is not acquainted with the nominee's personal friends, but has never known him to associate with any disreputable persons. He never met a more honest, and sincere man and he considers the nominee's integrity to be beyond question. Judge MAIN stated ROCKEFELLER appointed him to his current position in 1972. Judge MAIN stated he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a dedicated, highly qualified man who shows a sincere desire for and dedication to good Government, who wants to improve the State and Federal Government, and, therefore, he recommends the nominee without hesitation or qualification or reservation, for any high Federal position.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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Judge DONALD H. MEAD, New York State Supreme Court, Onondaga County, Syracuse, New York, advised he has known NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER personally since the mid 1950's. He said at the time he, Judge MEAD, was Mayor of the City of Syracuse, New York, and when ROCKEFELLER became Governor in about 1959, the latter appointed Judge MEAD to the "Joint Committee to Revise the State Constitution." He said because of his membership on this committee, he met personally with Governor ROCKEFELLER on a weekly basis for a period of 6 to 8 months and got to know him very well. Judge MEAD advised further that since about 1960, his contacts with Mr. ROCKEFELLER have been mainly on an infrequent social basis. He stated that based upon these contacts with Mr. ROCKEFELLER, he considers him to be an extremely personable and genuine man with top administrative abilities. Judge MEAD further described the nominee as a man of excellent character and a loyal American citizen, about whom he knows nothing derogatory. He highly recommended him for the position of Vice President of the United States, adding that no better choice could have been made.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 26, 1974:

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JOHN R. TENNEY, New York State Supreme Court Judge,  
[ ] New Hartford, New York, advised that he  
has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER for several years. He campaigned  
for the nominee in 1958, 1962 and 1966, and he attended  
the National Republican Party Conventions with NELSON ROCKEFELLER  
in 1964 and 1968.

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Judge TENNEY advised that he considers NELSON  
ROCKEFELLER to be a very loyal citizen of the United States and  
said there is no indication that he has other than the highest  
qualities of character. He considers him to be the most superior  
administrator he has ever seen in politics.

Judge TENNEY advised the only facet of NELSON ROCKEFELLER's  
position as Governor that he, Judge TENNEY, disliked was his  
allowance of having himself surrounded by some "old political  
hacks." Judge TENNEY said that the moral standards of these  
"political hacks" were unsuitable to him. He advised that they  
committed no indictable offenses but were known to "cut corners"  
in obtaining their objectives. Judge TENNEY was asked if he  
could be more specific in his comments and added that the only  
thing that he will say at this point is that NELSON ROCKEFELLER  
would do better without surrounding himself with "political hacks."

Judge TENNEY advised that he would recommend NELSON  
ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.



LOCAL

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent EDWARD A. MC SHANE, JR. on August 21, 1974:

ROBERT J. FEINBERG, registered Republican, Judge, Clinton County Court, Plattsburgh, New York, advised that he has known ROCKEFELLER for about twenty years. They know each other on a first name basis, and he has met with the nominee at least monthly for the last sixteen years. His greatest forte is his personality. He can enter a room full of people who are planning to distrust and oppose him and leave a room full of friends and supporters. He has incomparable charm and ability. He is "great" in foreign matters and in economic matters. He gets along marvelously with people of all stratas of life and employment and opinions. Judge FEINBERG fully and absolutely recommended nominee most highly for the position of Vice President of the United States.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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GEORGE W. MARTHEN, County Judge, Hamilton  
County, Lake Pleasant, New York, was contacted at his  
Wells, New York residence. He and [ ] had  
been active in Republican politics in Nassau County, New  
York from 1959 until 1968 and they had met ROCKEFELLER  
professionally on several occasions during that period.  
In October, 1968, Judge MARTHEN served as the Director  
of Government Affairs on behalf of Associated Industries  
of New York State, a lobbying group for a manufacturer's  
association. As such he had regular dealings with the  
Assembly and Legislature at the State Capital in Albany.  
He maintained occasional professional contact with  
ROCKEFELLER during this period and Judge MARTHEN has been  
on Hamilton County Bench since 1971. Whereas Mr. MARTHEN,  
a conservative, differs with the liberal ROCKEFELLER  
approach, particularly regarding fiscal policies he has never  
questioned ROCKEFELLER's sincerity and believes that what  
ROCKEFELLER was trying to accomplish was the right thing  
as far as ROCKEFELLER was concerned. He highly recommends  
ROCKEFELLER for the Vice Presidency and feels that his  
moral character, loyalty to the United States, associates  
and administrative ability are all excellent.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974, at  
Ithaca, New York:

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Honorable JAMES J. CLYNES, City Court Judge, Ithaca, New York, a member of the Democratic Party, stated he has known the nominee since 1958. He advised he met ROCKEFELLER while he, Judge CLYNES, was employed as a trial lawyer at Saranac Lake, New York. He has met ROCKEFELLER several times since then at legislative and social functions. Judge CLYNES has a high regard for the nominee, considers him honest and straightforward, open and above-board on all his dealings. He believes ROCKEFELLER is a good nominee and will tend to bring the country together. He gives him a strong endorsement for the position of Vice President.

Judge CLYNES does not know the immediate members of the ROCKEFELLER family and declined to make any comment concerning them.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 26, 1974, at Albany, New  
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Judge THOMAS WILLIAM KEEGAN, Albany Police Court, a Democrat, stated that from his knowledge of ROCKEFELLER he feels he is of good character and morals. Judge KEEGAN believes that ROCKEFELLER is well qualified for the job as Vice President since he did an exceptional job as Governor of the State of New York. Judge KEEGAN stated that to his knowledge, the loyalty of ROCKEFELLER is beyond reproach and he recommended ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.

IV

INTERVIEWS OF FEDERAL OFFICIALS

U.S. CONGRESSMAN



AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 26, 1974, at Paul Smith  
New York.

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OGDEN R. REID, United States Representative from New York, White Plains, New York, advised that he has been acquainted with the ROCKEFELLER family since boyhood. Representative REID advised he is acquainted with ROCKEFELLER on a professional and personal basis and knows of no questionable associates of ROCKEFELLER and considers ROCKEFELLER to be of excellent character and reputation.

Representative REID advised he considers ROCKEFELLER to be very strong in his loyalty and said he knows of no question concerning his integrity.

Representative REID advised he considers ROCKEFELLER to be an excellent administrator, particularly as an originator and a pioneer in new areas and to be very strong in those areas on which he focuses his attention. He advised ROCKEFELLER has a broad, ranging mind on issues and he considers him capable of handling almost any problem.

Representative REID advised he is acquainted with most of the ROCKEFELLER family, including his present and former wife, and considers the members of the family, with whom he is acquainted to be of good character and reputation.

Representative REID advised he has already publicly stated that he will vote for confirmation of ROCKEFELLER for Vice President, and has praised President FORD for his selection of ROCKEFELLER. He believes that it is an excellent appointment, particularly at this critical time in the nation's history. He feels that the nomination of ROCKEFELLER will have a broadening effect on the Administration's perspective because of ROCKEFELLER's innovative and creative abilities, as well as, his loyalty and effectiveness in completing whatever requested to do. He advised ROCKEFELLER is strong in many dimensions on a domestic and international level. He knows of no reason to question the financial background of ROCKEFELLER, but believes this matter will be thoroughly investigated by the Congress.

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He highly recommended ROCKEFELLER without reservation for the Vice Presidential nomination.

MAGISTRATES

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EDWARD A. MC SHANE on August 21, 1974:

HENRY C. VAN ACKER, United States Magistrate,  
Northern District of New York, Champlain, New York, registered  
Democrat, stated that he has never met ROCKEFELLER and has no  
opinion as to his fitness for the position of Vice President  
of the United States. He explained that he would like to have  
more details regarding the nominee before forming an opinion.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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ROBERT ARTHUR, United States Magistrate, Rome, New York, advised that he is not personally acquainted with the nominee but feels that he can comment on his qualifications. He advised that NELSON ROCKEFELLER is a man of excellent character and a loyal American. Mr. ARTHUR advised that he would recommend him highly for the position of Vice President since he is an excellent administrator and fine American.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent  on August 21, 1974:

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FRANK M. DULAN, Republican, United States Marshal, Northern District of New York, Utica, New York, former Mayor of the City of Utica, New York from 1960 to 1968, advised that he has been acquainted with NELSON ROCKEFELLER for the past 15 years. Through the years he has had occasion, especially as Mayor of the City, to participate in numerous conferences and meetings with the former Governor and has come to regard Mr. ROCKEFELLER very highly.

Mr. DULAN also noted that after his term as Mayor, he served in an appointed capacity on the New York State Water Resources Commission. Prior to becoming Mayor of Utica he was also an Oneida County Legislator and a former Oneida County Clerk. He described Mr. ROCKEFELLER as an extremely capable administrator and a man of keen intellect who has a wide range of business and governmental experience. He said that he does not know Mr. ROCKEFELLER on a personal or social basis, and is not personally acquainted with any member of the ROCKEFELLER family. He said that he knows absolutely nothing that would reflect unfavorably upon Mr. ROCKEFELLER's good character, reputation, loyalty, or associates. Mr. DULAN particularly praised ROCKEFELLER's sincerity and genuine human interest "in initiating new programs for the benefit of all residents of the State of New York." He concluded by stating that professionally he believes Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be eminently qualified to serve as Vice President of the United States.



IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 23, 1974:

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JOSEPH MC SCHERRY, Officer in Charge, Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States Department of Justice, Albany, New York, advised that he is not personally acquainted with ROCKEFELLER. Mr. MC SCHERRY did state that from a personal standpoint he believes that ROCKEFELLER is a good administrator and he recommended him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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INTERVIEWS OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 21, 1974:

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NED COLE, Bishop, Episcopal Church, Diocese of Central New York, Syracuse, New York, advised that he does not know the nominee personally but has on several occasions met with him in a church group on religious matters. He advised that he knows of nothing whatsoever that would be derogatory in nature regarding the nominee and has the highest regard for him. Bishop COLE described the nominee as an extremely honest, trustworthy and patriotic American who will be an asset to the FORD Administration and highly recommended him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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Bishop DAVID F. CUNNINGHAM, Roman Catholic Church, Diocese of Central New York, Syracuse, New York, advised that he has known the nominee since 1958. Since that time he has met personally with NELSON ROCKEFELLER, and other leaders, concerning church matters. Bishop CUNNINGHAM stated that he knows of nothing derogatory concerning the nominee and considers him to be an honest and trustworthy American. He stated, due to church principles, he is against the divorce of NELSON ROCKEFELLER from his first wife and is against his stand on the abortion law of New York State. Bishop CUNNINGHAM advised that even though he disagrees with NELSON ROCKEFELLER based on church principles, he considers him to be well qualified to handle the position as Vice President of the United States and highly recommends him for that position.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent EDWARD A. MC SHANE, JR., on August 27, 1974 at Plattsburgh, New York:

Reverend WILLIAM KENNEY, President, Clinton County Ministerial Association, a registered Democrat, stated that he is delighted at President FORD'S nomination of Mr. ROCKEFELLER for Vice President. He stated he has discussed this with other members of the ministry in the area and they are all satisfied and feel that this will lead to a great improvement in the caliber of the Government in Washington.

He fully approves of the nomination of Mr. ROCKEFELLER as Vice President.

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INTERVIEWS OF BUSINESS LEADERS



AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents [ ] and [ ] on August 26, 1974:

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WILLIAM L. PFEIFFER, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Albany Savings Bank, 20 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York, advised that he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER since 1950, at which time ROCKEFELLER was not interested in politics and their relationship was strictly on a social basis. Mr. PFEIFFER noted that he, PFEIFFER, was then New York State Republican Party Chairman.

PFEIFFER stated that his relationship with ROCKEFELLER on a close personal level really commenced in 1958, when ROCKEFELLER campaigned successfully for Governor of New York State. He stated that he was ROCKEFELLER's Campaign Manager in the gubernatorial races of 1962 and 1966 and was also in charge of finances for ROCKEFELLER's 1964 presidential campaign. He advised that his headquarters in 1964 was located in New York City.

It was pointed out to PFEIFFER that allegations have been received indicating that three or four million dollars had been expended in ROCKEFELLER's 1964 presidential Oregon and California primaries, respectively. Mr. PFEIFFER advised in this regard that to the best of his knowledge, these figures were both erroneous and inflated, and do not represent the actual expenditures. He stated that substantial amounts were spent but these amounts conformed to all existing laws and regulations at that time and were not illegal. He stated that due to the passage of time he is unable to estimate the exact amount expended in these two primaries.

PFEIFFER stated that after 1966 he served as a political advisor to ROCKEFELLER for one dollar per year. In 1968, when the presidential campaign was initiated, PFEIFFER advised that he was requested, but declined, to take an active part, as he had recently been elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Albany Savings Bank, and felt he should devote his time and effort to the bank. PFEIFFER advised that at no time were any accounts of the ROCKEFELLER campaign maintained in the Albany Savings Bank as savings banks are prohibited by law from having any such accounts.

PFEIFFER advised that ROCKEFELLER'S divorce from his first wife contained no hint or tinge of scandal and both of them parted the best of friends. He stated it was simply a question of incompatibility and had nothing whatsoever to do with anything even bordering on moral turpitude. He stated that ROCKEFELLER is extremely devoted to his present wife and family.

PFEIFFER advised that he has always considered ROCKEFELLER a person of irreproachable character, morals and reputation who is sober, industrious, a "top notch" administrator and a person who possesses physical drive and stamina. He said that he is an extremely charitable person whose health is excellent and he is of the opinion that President FORD made an excellent choice when he nominated ROCKEFELLER as Vice President. He pointed out that ROCKEFELLER is peculiarly equipped due to his wealth and background to obtain information from the best brains in the country, which should prove to be of assistance in any future endeavors as Vice President. He advised he is also well acquainted with ROCKEFELLER'S brothers, sister and other members of the ROCKEFELLER family and considers them to be people of excellent morals, character, reputation and loyalty.

PFEIFFER concluded by stating that to his knowledge there is absolutely nothing in ROCKEFELLER'S background which could possibly cause any embarrassment to the FORD Administration.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974, at  
Albany, New York:

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WARREN F. BEER, President of the Chase Manhattan Bank of Eastern New York, advised he has known ROCKEFELLER casually for approximately 10 years. BEER stated that in his capacity as President of the New York Chapter of the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation, he invited ROCKEFELLER, then Governor of New York, to speak at a fund raising dinner given by the foundation.

BEER stated that his main association with the ROCKEFELLER family was through NELSON ROCKEFELLER'S brother, DAVID, who is Chairman of the Board of the Chase Manhattan Bank. BEER advised that he is impressed with ROCKEFELLER'S reputation, background, and record of public service. He advised that in spite of the high social status of the ROCKEFELLER family, each member of the family, including NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, still retains an insight into the problems of the average man. BEER advised that he knows of nothing detrimental as far as the nominee or any member of his family is concerned. BEER stated that ROCKEFELLER'S personality, administrative ability, and moral character are excellent. BEER stated that he thinks ROCKEFELLER will make an excellent Vice President of the United States.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent HUGH B. MC LEAN on August 26, 1974:

Mr. ADDISON KEIM, Republican, President of  
Mechanics Exchange Savings Bank, Albany, New York, advised  
he has known Mr. ROCKEFELLER on a professional basis since  
his election as Governor. Mr. KEIM advised he has been  
with the Mechanics Exchange Savings Bank for the past 26 years.

During this time he has had no question concerning  
the nominee's character and loyalty to the United States.  
Even though Mr. KEIM has not been on a personal basis with  
the nominee, he stated that he has heard many good comments  
concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER and considers him a good administrator.  
Based on his business acquaintance with the nominee he would  
recommend Mr. ROCKEFELLER for a high Federal administrative  
position.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by SA  
[redacted] on August 26, 1974.

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FRANK H. O'DELL, President, State Bank of Albany, 69 State Street, Albany, New York, stated he does not know NELSON ROCKEFELLER personally, but he considers him the greatest Governor the State of New York has ever had. He said he feels that President FORD made the best possible choice when he nominated NELSON ROCKEFELLER as his Vice President.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] at Albany, New York, on August  
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JOHN J. ROBERTS, Executive Vice President, Empire State Chamber of Commerce, 150 State Street, advised he has been acquainted with NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER on a professional basis for 15 years. ROBERTS indicated that in his opinion ROCKEFELLER is of fine character and said he has never heard anything derogatory concerning him. ROBERTS did indicate, however, that he was never closely associated with ROCKEFELLER and feels that he is not in a position to comment on ROCKEFELLER's social life nor can he furnish any information concerning his associates. ROBERTS advised that he has no reason to question ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States and he recommended ROCKEFELLER for the office of Vice President.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 26, 1974:

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ALVIE M. EDWARDS, Director of Operations for New York State, Coca-Cola Bottling Company, 1304 Washington Avenue, Watertown, New York, Democrat, advised he has attended many public functions at which ROCKEFELLER was present and has attended several dinners for Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

He described ROCKEFELLER as having excellent moral character and stated that ROCKEFELLER's associates and loyalty to the United States are beyond reproach. He considers ROCKEFELLER to have a tremendous amount of ability and feels that he has been a fair man regarding all his decisions as Governor of New York. He knows of no derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER and [ ] highly recommended him for Vice President of the United States.



AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent ROBERT W. ROSS on August 22, 1974:

HAROLD P. McGOWAN, President, Endicott-Johnson Shoe Corporation, Endicott, New York, advised that he has had very limited personal contact with the nominee. He is unaware of any derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER or any member of his family and advised that he supports the nomination of ROCKEFELLER as a wise choice. McGOWAN advised that he personally considers the nominee to be "one of the most honest of all elected officials".

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA EDWARD A. MC SHANE, JR., on August 21, 1974:

GEORGE A. GIEK, Vice President, National Savings Bank, Plattsburgh, New York, stated that he is not overly thrilled with ROCKEFELLER's nomination as Vice President. He said ROCKEFELLER drove tax rates up in New York State and since the nominee himself has unlimited funds, he thinks everyone has. He has not been sympathetic with banking and business, and bankers generally will not applaud this nomination. He does not think ROCKEFELLER should be Vice President because that would put him "a heartbeat away from the Presidency," and as President he would bankrupt the country.

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The following investigation was conducted  
by SA [redacted] on August 26, 1974 at Albany,  
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PARK W. WICKS, President, First Trust and Deposit Company, Syracuse, New York, Republican, advised that he is not personally acquainted with NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, although he has met briefly with him on a few occasions over the past ten years. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has a reputation for being a top Government leader of the greatest integrity. He said that based upon Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S reputation, he himself highly recommends ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] at Utica, New York, on August 27, 1974.

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Attorney [ ], Democrat, advised he is not personally acquainted with the nominee and disagrees with him politically, but knows of nothing derogatory that should prevent him from being confirmed as Vice President.

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Attorney [ ], Democrat, advised he has met the nominee, but is not well acquainted with him. He feels the nominee is very well qualified for the Vice Presidency.

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[ ], Insurance Agent, Democrat, advised he is not acquainted with the nominee. He stated he feels the nominee is an outstanding choice for Vice President, and has all necessary qualifications for the post.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at  
Utica, New York:

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H. RUSSELL JOHNSON, President, Oneida National Bank and Trust Company, Genesee Street, Utica, New York, advised his association with ROCKEFELLER has been limited to several meetings and an occasional speech made by ROCKEFELLER. JOHNSON believes the nominee to be a competent, dedicated servant and politician whose leadership and "charisma" will add greatly to the executive leadership of the United States. JOHNSON noted that the nominee has the highest reputation for loyalty, personal integrity, and honesty.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 22, 1974.

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ADDISON M. WHITE, President, Savings Bank of Utica, Genesee Street, Utica, New York, advised he is not personally acquainted with the nominee, but knows him by reputation to be a dynamic leader and politician, whose honesty and loyalty and administrative abilities are above reproach. WHITE stated he and other upstate businessmen are extremely proud that the nominee has been selected for the Vice Presidency of the United States.

ROGER J. SINNOTT, President, Bank of Utica, 222 Genesee Street, Utica, New York, advised he has met the nominee and knows him to be an outstanding former Governor of New York State, whose ability, integrity, loyalty, and dedication to the American people are well known. SINNOTT stated he would give the highest possible recommendation to the nominee.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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CARL R. BURNS, a Watertown, New York, businessman and a Democratic member of the Watertown City Council, advised he has not met the nominee personally but knows the nominee by reputation and believes him to be a fine candidate for the Vice Presidency of the United States. Mr. BURNS believes the nominee enjoys an excellent reputation for intelligence, administrative ability and dedication to the public good and highly recommends him for the Vice Presidency.



AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 26, 1974;

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ALLAN BRUCE, Practicing Attorney and former Democratic City Chairman, Burlington, Vermont, advised he does not personally know the nominee and the only information he has concerning him is what he has learned from the news media.

BRUCE advised he knows of nothing derogatory about the nominee but said he is unable to comment on the nominee's character, associates, reputation, loyalty, or administrative ability, or the nominee's ability to fill the position of Vice President of the United States.

VII

INTERVIEWS OF NEWS MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 26, 1974:

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RICHARD B. BELKIN, Vice-President and General Manager of WNWS, TV, Syracuse, New York advised that he does not know the nominee personally, however, he has met the nominee approximately four times when the nominee addressed various broadcaster's meetings from 1965 to 1973. He advised that the nominee's speeches at the broadcaster's meetings dealt mostly with State and governmental affairs.

He advised that he considers the nominee to be an outstanding American skilled in handling governmental affairs both on a domestic and international level.

He advised that he has the highest regard for him and highly recommended him for the position for which he was nominated.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA ROBERT W. KENNEDY on August 23, 1974:

ARTHUR F. DEES, General Manager of Public Television Station WSKG, Endwell, New York, advised that he has no personal knowledge of the nominee. He advised that he learned from his associates in the management of the station that ROCKEFELLER is a strong supporter of public television. Mr. DEES is unaware of any derogatory information.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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JOHN E. N. HUME, III, Editor, "Schenectady Gazette", 332 State Street, Schenectady, New York, advised that he knew ROCKEFELLER on a professional level during the years that ROCKEFELLER was Governor of New York State. He said he has met ROCKEFELLER on many occasions and he would consider ROCKEFELLER to be a completely honest and ethical individual. He said he would have no reason to doubt ROCKEFELLER's integrity, even though he does not personally agree with some of the projects that ROCKEFELLER has instituted in New York State. He said he would consider ROCKEFELLER to be qualified to handle a high Federal administrative position and he would recommend him for this position. Mr. HUME said he knows of no derogatory information involving ROCKEFELLER.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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ARTHUR T. IRVING, [ ], Glens Falls, New York, Publisher Emeritus of the Glens Falls "Post-Star and Times", a daily newspaper, advised that he has known ROCKEFELLER for the past 15 years. He does not know him intimately but has had several contacts with him socially and through newspaper circles, and they have attended dinner parties and social functions together. Mr. IRVING feels that ROCKEFELLER is thoroughly loyal and patriotic to the United States, is very trustworthy and is a highly accomplished administrator of good moral character and fine associates. Mr. IRVING has always been impressed with the fact that ROCKEFELLER despite immense wealth has repeatedly demonstrated a willingness to serve the people and Government. He highly recommended him for the Vice Presidency.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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[redacted], Assistant to the Publisher and Editor of "The Daily Star", Oneonta, New York, advised that he is acquainted with the nominee, having attended several editors' meetings held at the Governor's Mansion in Albany, New York while ROCKEFELLER was Governor of New York State. He advised that "The Daily Star" had endorsed ROCKEFELLER twice to run for the Presidency of the United States. He advised that he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a man of great intellect and one who had very progressive programs as Governor of New York State. He advised that he is a very charismatic individual who has extremely good foreign relations credentials. He stated that ROCKEFELLER'S programs in the area of Medicaid and Higher Education have proven to lend an economic boost to the community of Oneonta, New York as well as Otsego County in which it is located. He advised that he considers ROCKEFELLER to be an extremely honest, forthright and courageous individual whom he recommends very highly for the position of Vice President of the United States. He advised that he is unaware of any derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974, at Syracuse,  
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LAWRENCE RHODES, Vice President and General Manager  
of WHEN TV, Broadcasting Division of Meredith Corporation,  
advised that due to his position he had several conversations  
with the nominee prior to the nominee going on the air for  
campaign speeches and talk shows arranged by his station.

He personally feels that the nominee is a trustworthy  
person who is well qualified to handle the position for which he  
has been nominated and knows of nothing whatsoever that would be  
derogatory concerning ROCKEFELLER. He advised that he would highly  
recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position to which he was nominated.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent JOHN P. KOSAKOWSKI on August 23, 1974:

WILLIAM JOHN RUSH, Vice President and General  
Manager, "Times Record," Troy, New York was contacted  
regarding NELSON ROCKEFELLER's Vice Presidential  
nomination and advised that he does not know and  
has never met Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

RUSH further stated he has contacted his  
Editorial Staff and they advised him that they  
know nothing derogatory concerning ROCKEFELLER.

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 23, 1974:

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[redacted], Manager, WKTU Television Station, Smith Hill Road, Deerfield, New York, advised that he has known the nominee personally for approximately nine years. In reference to the nominee's character, loyalty, associations and administrative ability, Mr. [redacted] stated that he would give NELSON ROCKEFELLER a gold star in each category. He stated that he is not socially acquainted with the nominee but has spoken with him on numerous occasions. Mr. [redacted] advised he knows of no derogatory information concerning the nominee in any way. He advised he would highly recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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INTERVIEW OF CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] at Rotterdam, New York,  
on August 23, 1974:

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Dr. HARRY L. HAMILTON, President of the Albany Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), stated that during his term as Head of the NAACP, he has worked with and has had "numerous confrontations with the former Governor." HAMILTON related that during the building of the South Mall, ROCKEFELLER had originally promised 3,000 units of housing for "people dislocated by the Mall Project." The first two projects to be built in the new Mall were to be housing units, but instead the housing units were not started until the Mall Project was 50 percent completed and then only after repeated meetings between the representatives of the Governor and various community agencies. HAMILTON related that ROCKEFELLER'S "integrity slipped" in his estimation during ROCKEFELLER'S handling of the Attica Prison situation. HAMILTON stated that ROCKEFELLER'S decision to storm the cell block area and not to be personally present during this action was an attempt by ROCKEFELLER to shift his image from that of a white liberal to a more conservative image in line with the thinking of the national Republican structure.

HAMILTON gives ROCKEFELLER credit for improving and expanding the State University system by funneling millions of dollars into improving and upgrading salaries and physical structures. HAMILTON also gives ROCKEFELLER a great deal of credit for improving the status of minority employment in various New York State departments. HAMILTON also stated that ROCKEFELLER in his opinion is a smart, hardworking executive who has the knack for getting talented people to serve him in various positions. HAMILTON stated that "ROCKEFELLER knows how to use power even though occasionally some democratic concepts get trampled as ROCKEFELLER moves to complete a particular project."

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HAMILTON stated that ROCKEFELLER is a man of high character and personal integrity and the country can be assured there will be no scandal or corruption involving any phase of ROCKEFELLER's responsibility as Vice President. HAMILTON concluded by saying that ROCKEFELLER can do a good job as Vice President of the United States.

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INTERVIEW OF UNION LEADER

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 26, 1974:

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JOSEPH A. MANGINO, Business Agent of Local 301, International Union of Electrical Workers, 121 Erie Boulevard, Schenectady, New York, who is also President of the Schenectady Area Central Labor Council (same address), advised he has never met the nominee personally and has only seen him at some of ROCKEFELLER's speaking engagements. Mr. MANGINO is not aware of any derogatory information concerning the nominee's associates, morals or reputation. He knows of no reason to question ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States. Mr. MANGINO's knowledge of ROCKEFELLER is based on newspaper articles and he feels ROCKEFELLER is a very capable, likable person who definitely has the qualifications for the position of Vice President of the United States. Although ROCKEFELLER would not have been his choice, he feels ROCKEFELLER will definitely be able to perform the job.



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INTERVIEWS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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Albany County Commissioner of Public Safety FRANCIS E. HANLEY, Albany, New York, a Democrat, advised that he does not know ROCKEFELLER nor has he associated with ROCKEFELLER on a professional basis.

HANLEY advised that to his knowledge [ ] ROCKEFELLER has a good character and unquestionable loyalty. HANLEY commented that the entire ROCKEFELLER family has done a lot of good for the United States. HANLEY feels that ROCKEFELLER will do a good job as Vice President if confirmed. HANLEY advised that he highly recommends ROCKEFELLER for Vice President and said he knows of no derogatory information regarding him.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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PERCIVAL LYONS, Sheriff, Franklin County, Malone, New York, advised he has met ROCKEFELLER on several occasions, primarily assisting as an escort whenever the former Governor was in Franklin County, New York. He has also met him on several occasions at law enforcement meetings. Mr. LYONS advised he knows of no derogatory information concerning nominee's character, reputation or associates. He considers ROCKEFELLER to be a good administrator; however, while ROCKEFELLER was Governor, he disagreed with his veto of many bills affecting the minimum wages for local police officers. Mr. LYONS advised in his opinion he believes the nominee favors big business rather than the ordinary citizen.

PERCIVAL LYONS advised his disagreements with the nominee are outweighed by other actions while he was Governor and he believes the nominee will be of great assistance to the President. Therefore, he recommended ROCKEFELLER with reservation concerning any powers the nominee might attain in regard to the "purse strings" of Government spending.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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ARTHUR PARKER, Sheriff, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, Lake Pleasant, New York, and a resident of Long Lake, New York, advised that he has been in politics since 1939. He has known ROCKEFELLER since 1959 and ROCKEFELLER appointed him Sheriff in 1964. Most of his contacts with ROCKEFELLER have been through political circles and at occasional social functions in large crowds. Mr. PARKER highly recommends ROCKEFELLER for the Vice Presidency; knows of no derogatory information, and feels he is an excellent executive. Mr. PARKER has no reason to doubt ROCKEFELLER's moral character, associates, or loyalty to the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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PATRICK J. CORBETT, Sheriff, Onondaga County Sheriff's Office, Syracuse, New York advised that his contact with the nominee dates back to 1963 when he was first re-elected Sheriff of Onondaga County. Since that time, he has had several professional contacts with the nominee. He advised that the nominee has always conducted himself in a manner befitting his position. He enjoys an excellent reputation in both the political and business communities, and his character is unquestionable. He is an honest and ethical politician who has a great deal of compassion for his fellow man.

XI

INTERVIEWS OF EDUCATORS

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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ERNEST L. BOYER, Doctor of Philosophy, Chancellor, State University of New York (SUNY), Central Administration, 99 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York, who resides at [ ], Albany, New York, advised he has known Governor ROCKEFELLER for the past ten years in both a business and social environment. [Dr.] BOYER stated he is also a member of the Commission of Critical Choices for Americans, of which ROCKEFELLER is chairman. [Dr.] BOYER has been associated with SUNY since 1965 and advised that ROCKEFELLER made a commitment to build a public university and was the most important single force in achieving the fantastic university system that New York State presently has. [Dr.] BOYER feels this university system is by far ROCKEFELLER's most important public contribution.

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ROCKEFELLER was responsible for instituting a major construction program which resulted in spending 2 billion dollars on university construction programs during the last ten years. ROCKEFELLER supported the new Education Program for Minorities at SUNY and also the New College for Adults (non-campus education).

[Dr.] BOYER stated he has met ROCKEFELLER's wife and family on several occasions and feels ROCKEFELLER maintains a strong, close family relationship. [Dr.] BOYER advised ROCKEFELLER has only associated with men and women of outstanding integrity and exceedingly strong capabilities. [Dr.] BOYER knows of no reason to question ROCKEFELLER's loyalty to the United States and added he is a man of outstanding integrity with the key to administrative effectiveness. [Dr.] BOYER feels ROCKEFELLER has no detrimental qualities whatsoever to be, as he has been in the past, an outstanding public official. [Dr.] BOYER stated ROCKEFELLER is unusually energetic, is deeply committed to public work and is extremely alert intellectually. ROCKEFELLER always brings a sense of hope and urgency to the problems of the world and is a hard worker. [Dr.] BOYER enthusiastically recommended ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 23, 1974, at Syracuse, New  
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ALAN K. CAMPBELL, Democrat, and Dean, Maxwell Graduate School, Syracuse University, advised that he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER personally since 1959. He advised that in 1959, he, CAMPBELL, was appointed Deputy Comptroller under ARTHUR LEVITT who is still presently Comptroller for the State of New York.

Dean CAMPBELL advised that his first experience with the nominee was that of a political critic dealing with Governor ROCKEFELLER's tax programs.

Dean CAMPBELL advised that since 1970, he has been a member of the Council of Economic Advisors, and in this capacity, he has had a close working relationship with the nominee. He advised that in 1972 - 1973, the Maxwell Graduate School received a contract to do a research study dealing with the tax problems of New York City, and that the study was called the Economic Phase of New York State and its Fiscal Consequences. He advised that this study dealt in the area of tax since New York State gives New York City 50 percent of its tax budget for programs dealing with education, welfare, transportation, and medical care.

Dean CAMPBELL advised that NELSON ROCKEFELLER has excellent rapport with minority groups, especially the Puerto Rican population of New York City, as NELSON ROCKEFELLER speaks Spanish fluently. He further advised that even though some minority groups do not agree with some of ROCKEFELLER's programs, the nominee has their interests at heart.

Dean CAMPBELL advised that he feels he is well qualified to make a favorable recommendation as far as ROCKEFELLER's nomination is concerned, in view of the fact that he has known him since 1959 on a professional basis.

Dean CAMPBELL advised that NELSON ROCKEFELLER is fully qualified to handle the position for which he has been nominated and will be an asset to the FORD Administration in handling Government affairs, both domestically and internationally.



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The following investigation was conducted by  
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MARTIN P. CATHERWOOD, Professor Emeritus, Cornell University, [ ], Cayuga Heights, New York, was interviewed at which time he furnished the following information:

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CATHERWOOD was head of the New York State Department of Labor during the ROCKEFELLER Administration from 1958 to 1970. He first met the nominee in 1958, through mutual friends, when he was under consideration for a position in the ROCKEFELLER Administration. At that time, CATHERWOOD was Dean of the School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

Since leaving the Department in 1970, he has had no close contact with ROCKEFELLER. During the 12 years he was Labor Commissioner, CATHERWOOD had frequent personal and professional contact with the nominee. He has absolutely no reservations regarding ROCKEFELLER and said President FORD could not have made a better selection for the Vice President. He characterized the nominee as a strong, dominant individual, whose presence in Washington will strengthen the National Government and be good for the country, especially at this time. There is no question, CATHERWOOD advised, regarding ROCKEFELLER's good character and high personal and ethical qualities.

He has met members of ROCKEFELLER's immediate family and spoke very highly of them.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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Doctor THOMAS A. BARTLETT, Democrat, President, Colgate University, Hamilton, New York, advised he has been acquainted with the nominee for the past four years inasmuch as he (BARTLETT) served on the Governor's Committee for Higher Education. Dr. BARTLETT noted he does not agree politically with the nominee, but believes the nominee to be an extraordinary, perceptive, knowledgeable, and able administrator and politician. Dr. BARTLETT noted that on several occasions the nominee demonstrated to him an extraordinary ability to solve political and administrative problems. Dr. BARTLETT noted the nominee is a very "tough" politician, whose decisions are completely divorced of sentiment. Dr. BARTLETT described the nominee as having an excellent memory and as being a natural leader and said he believes that the nominee is the finest possible Republican choice for the Vice Presidency. Dr. BARTLETT has no information regarding the nominee's family.

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DALE CORSON, President, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, was interviewed on August 26, 1974, by SA [redacted] [redacted] at which time he furnished the following information:

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CORSON has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER for the past 12 years and increasingly so during the last two years of his Administration as Governor of the State of New York. He had frequent contacts with the nominee on primarily legislative matters and met often with him in small groups. He found ROCKEFELLER to be a highly effective administrator who was forthright in all his dealings. He knows what he can do and cannot do, and will not hesitate to ask for help and guidance when needed.

CORSON said ROCKEFELLER is a very personable man who regards everyone as his friend. He has only the highest regard for ROCKEFELLER and knows of no reason to doubt him in any way. He recommended him for the Vice Presidency. CORSON said he has had little or no contact with members of ROCKEFELLER's immediate family.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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Dr. JOHN SLOAN DICKEY, President, Emeritus of Dartmouth College and currently professor of Public Affairs, at Dartmouth, resident of Swanton, Vermont, advised that he has known the nominee for approximately 45 years. He advised that they were students together at Dartmouth College. Dr. DICKEY advised that during World War II, he served under the nominee in the Inter American Affairs Agency, under the ROOSEVELT Administration. Dr. DICKEY advised that he was the liaison man between this agency and the Department of State under Mr. CORDELL HULL. Dr. DICKEY advised that while he was serving in this capacity, he had a very satisfactory relationship with the nominee. He considers the nominee to have a tremendous amount of executive ability.

Dr. DICKEY advised that after World War II, he went on to become the President of Dartmouth College and the nominee later became a trustee of that institution. Dr. DICKEY advised that on a few occasions he worked with ROCKEFELLER concerning study projects in regard to Latin America, in which the nominee was involved.

Dr. DICKEY advised that he did not see the nominee very much while the nominee served as Governor of New York.

Dr. DICKEY advised that the nominee's son, RODMAN, graduated from Dartmouth College in 1954.

Dr. DICKEY advised that in the 1950's, he bestowed an honorary Doctorate Degree in Law to the nominee from Dartmouth College and in 1969, he bestowed a second honorary Doctorate Degree to the nominee, this degree being in Civil Law.

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Dr. DICKEY advised that he considers the nominee to be an individual of unquestionable integrity, reliability, and loyalty. He considers the nominee to have excellent credentials in all areas and considers him to be an outstanding American. He advised that he knows absolutely nothing unfavorable concerning the nominee or any member of his family.

Dr. DICKEY advised that he considers the nominee highly qualified for the position of Vice President of the United States.

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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MELVIN EGGERS, Chancellor-President, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, advised that he knows the nominee on a professional basis due to his unique position with the University. He advised that due to his position with the University he has chaired the platform with NELSON ROCKEFELLER on several occasions when the nominee was making political speeches regarding academic programs for the State of New York, and one time [at] a dinner honoring STEVEN ROGERS, owner and publisher for the newspapers, "Herald" and "Post Standard" for Syracuse, New York. Mr. EGGERS further advised that he, along with the presidents of five major universities, (Cornell, Rochester, New York, Columbia and Fordham) have met personally with NELSON ROCKEFELLER on several occasions regarding various educational programs. EGGERS advised that he knows nothing derogatory regarding the nominee and has the highest regard for him, both as former Governor of New York and as Vice Presidential nominee. He considers the nominee to be of unimpeachable character and reputation and well qualified to handle the position for which he was nominated. He advised that he would highly recommend him for that position without reservation.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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Doctor CHARLES R. EISENHART, President, Adirondack Community College, Bay Road, Queensbury, New York stated he has known ROCKEFELLER for the past 13 years. They have had several professional contacts and Dr. EISENHART has attended many social receptions in ROCKEFELLER's company. Dr. EISENHART feels ROCKEFELLER is an excellent choice as the Vice Presidential nominee and he highly recommended the appointment. He feels ROCKEFELLER possesses top-notch executive ability and has excellent moral character. His loyalty to the United States is above question.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED], on August 22, 1974:

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Dr. CHARLES GAFFNEY, Vice President, State University of New York (SUNY), Agricultural and Technical School at Cobleskill, Cobleskill, New York, advised that he has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER on several occasions. He advised that he is not a close personal friend of the nominee, but supports most of Mr. ROCKEFELLER's political views. He stated that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be a very progressive administrator as he had increased the SUNY from approximately 35,000 students in 1960 to well over 200,000 students at the present time. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER's ideas concerning the building programs at the SUNY made possible the growth, and at the present time, the SUNY is, if not the largest, one of the largest university systems in the world. He advised that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be a dedicated public official and knows of no derogatory information concerning him. He believes that Mr. ROCKEFELLER will make an excellent Vice President of the United States.



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The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ] on August 26, 1974, at Syracuse, New York:

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WILLIAM L. RILEY, President, Lemoyne College, Syracuse, New York, advised that he does not know the nominee personally but due to his position he has had some occasional contact with the nominee for the last six years.

President RILEY further advised that he knows of nothing derogatory whatsoever regarding the nominee and personally feels that he is fully qualified to handle the position for which he was nominated.

President RILEY stated further that he feels that NELSON ROCKEFELLER is an honorable, trustworthy person, whose knowledge and experience will make him an asset under President FORD and he personally recommends him for the Vice Presidency.

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INTERVIEWS OF POLITICAL LEADERS

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
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DORIS BROOKS, Broome County, New York, Republican Chairman and Election Commissioner, Binghamton, New York, advised that she has known the nominee personally and professionally for approximately 17 years. She advised that she has the highest regard for the nominee and his family and considers ROCKEFELLER to be an honorable, able, down to earth individual. Mrs. BROOKS advised that ROCKEFELLER is an outstanding nominee and praised his character and administrative ability. She highly recommended the nominee for the position of Vice President.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent , on August 23, 1974:

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SYLVESTER SCHOONMAKER, Chairman, Delaware County Republican Committee, Delhi, New York, advised that he is a close political friend of the nominee. He advised that he had been in contact with Mr. ROCKEFELLER while Governor of New York State approximately eight to ten times a year and that since January, 1974, he has been with Mr. ROCKEFELLER four times. He advised that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be the most outstanding choice available to President FORD for the Vice Presidency of the United States. He stated that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has had a long and distinguished career of public service, starting in the ROOSEVELT Administration. He stated that ROCKEFELLER has served every President from ROOSEVELT through EISENHOWER and that during former President NIXON's first term of office, he traveled to foreign countries on behalf of the United States Government. He advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER is a man of unquestionable integrity and recommends him very highly for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. He advised that he is casually acquainted with the present Mrs. ROCKEFELLER and several of the nominee's children and considers them to be very fine people. He stated that he knows of no derogatory information concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER and reiterated the fact that the President could not make a better choice for his Vice President.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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LIOBERN YANDON, Town of Newcomb, New York, Supervisor, and Chairman, Essex County, New York Democratic Party, advised he has met ROCKEFELLER on several occasions, but is not a personal friend. Mr. YANDON advised that he considers the nominee to be an honorable man of good character and reputation, who ran his Administration as Governor of New York in an open and above board manner. Mr. YANDON advised he is not acquainted with associates of ROCKEFELLER's, but has never heard of him associating with disreputable individuals. Mr. YANDON stated he knows of no reason why nominee should not be appointed to any high Government position.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974.

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ALFRED DUFRANE, Chairman, Franklin County Democratic Party, and owner of several businesses, Malone, New York, advised he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a very brilliant man. However, he said he does not like the nominee's liberal attitude regarding fiscal policy because he believes ROCKEFELLER nearly drove New York State and local municipalities of the State of New York into bankruptcy and if he were appointed to a high position in the Federal Government, he might do the same to the United States. DUFRANE stated as an example, while Governor of the State of New York, ROCKEFELLER pushed legislation which made municipal bonds interest two to five percent higher than for any other State in the nation and which made New York State and municipal bonds a poor risk. DUFRANE advised the nominee's economic policy encouraged inflationary policy and, therefore, he does not regard ROCKEFELLER as a good choice for any high Government position.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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JAMES ELLIS, teacher and chairman of the Franklin County Republican Party, who is from Tupper Lake, New York, advised he has met ROCKEFELLER on a number of occasions in Franklin County, New York, and at the Governor's Office in Albany, New York, where he has had discussions on several issues. Mr. ELLIS advised he ran the nominee's last campaign for Governor in Franklin County, New York. Mr. ELLIS advised he considers the nominee's character, reputation, and associates to be beyond reproach. ELLIS stated he feels personally that he would recommend nominee without reservations or qualifications for any high Government position, although they have differed philosophically on a number of issues, including abortion and the Adirondack Park Agency.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [ ] on August 26, 1974:

ROBERT A. BOUCHARD, the Jefferson County, New York, Democratic Party Chairman, [ ], Watertown, New York, advised he does not know the nominee personally but does believe the nominee to be a dedicated public servant and skillful past Governor of the State. Mr. BOUCHARD stated he has no reason to doubt the nominee's honesty or loyalty and believes the nominee to be a fine candidate for the Vice Presidency of the United States.

THEODORE RAND, the Democratic Mayor of Watertown, New York, advised he does not know the nominee personally but has dealt with him on many occasions during the past 10 to 15 years. He believes the nominee to be an extremely intelligent, dedicated and resourceful administrator and politician and the best possible nominee for the Vice Presidency of the United States. Mr. RAND stated his only objection to the nominee is his fiscal policies while Governor of New York State in that he spent much more of the State's money than upstate New York could afford.

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BERNARD M. KILBOURN, [redacted], Chadwicks, New York, who was Republican Chairman for Oneida County, New York, advised that he has known the nominee for several years through Republican Party activities and through matters concerning the State of New York. DR. KILBOURN advised he considers the nominee to possess a character "sparkling with rich qualities". He referred to the nominee as a completely dedicated American whose loyalty lies in the furtherance of the democratic way of life under the Constitution. DR. KILBOURN advised that although he is not acquainted with many of ROCKEFELLER'S close associates, he has never heard of any of his associates having an unsavory reputation. Relating to the nominee's ability as an administrator, DR. KILBOURN stated that his record while Governor of the State of New York more than exemplifies his administrative stature. He added that few persons, if any, can match him in his administrative capacities. DR. KILBOURN stated that he would unequivocally recommend the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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ROBERT SPILKA, Spilka's Hotel, Utica, New York, City Chairman for the Democratic Party, advised that he is not personally acquainted with the nominee; however, from what he has gleaned from the news media and other associates in politics, he has concluded that ROCKEFELLER is fully capable of handling the position of Vice President of the United States. His only complaint against ROCKEFELLER, through the years, has been in reference to his excessive spending of State monies while he was Governor of New York. He understands that ROCKEFELLER associates only with people who enjoy a fine reputation, that he is of outstanding character and is known as a great administrator. He personally has never heard a derogatory remark made against ROCKEFELLER in regard to his character, loyalty and associates. He stated he would recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 27, 1974:

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JOHN CONWAY, Chairman, Democratic Party,  
Oswego County, advised that he does not know the nominee  
personally.

Mr. CONWAY advised that he has been Chairman  
of the Democratic Party in Oswego County for the last  
16 years. He also served as Mayor of Oswego from 1968  
to 1973 and also was City Attorney for the City of Oswego  
from 1960 to 1968.

Mr. CONWAY advised that the nominee is an  
excellent administrator and is fully qualified for the  
job for which he has been nominated.

Mr. CONWAY advised that he knows nothing  
derogatory regarding the nominee; however, he does not  
care to give him a recommendation for the Vice Presidency  
as he feels there are better qualified individuals.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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J. GREGORY MERRIAM, Chairman of the Republican Party for Oswego County, Oswego, New York, advised that he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER personally and socially since 1958. He further advised that over the years he has had many personal interviews with ROCKEFELLER concerning legislative matters.

MERRIAM advised that he considers ROCKEFELLER to be a man of excellent integrity and reputation and one who possesses the ability to handle both domestic and international government affairs. He further advised that NELSON ROCKEFELLER is also qualified in handling problems dealing with minority groups and has excellent rapport with the Spanish-speaking population of New York City.

MERRIAM advised that he knows of nothing derogatory regarding ROCKEFELLER and highly recommends him to the position for which he is nominated.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED], on August 23, 1974:

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SAMUEL NADER, Chairman, Democratic Committee, Otsego County, Oneonta, New York, advised that he considers Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be eminently qualified in every respect for the position of Vice President of the United States. He stated that he feels Mr. ROCKEFELLER has an excellent background in foreign affairs and proved himself to be a good administrator during his terms as Governor of New York State. He advised that he did not always agree with Mr. ROCKEFELLER's fiscal policies but feels that he is the best choice that the country could make for the Vice President of the United States. He stated that he knows of no derogatory information concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [ ] on August 23, 1974:

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WILLIAM JOHN ANTHONY KELLY, Democratic Chairman of Saratoga County, Mechanicville, New York, advised that his relationship with NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER has been of a political nature and that he has met ROCKEFELLER once or twice and that their length of association is minimal. KELLY advised that he feels ROCKEFELLER'S character and loyalty, in his opinion, are above reproach. KELLY advised that ROCKEFELLER'S associates with whom he has come in contact during political campaigning have been first-class individuals. KELLY stated that in his opinion ROCKEFELLER'S administrative ability is also of the first class nature and that he will be an asset to the Executive Branch of the United States Government. KELLY advised that he would recommend ROCKEFELLER highly as Vice-President of the United States and said that he knows of no derogatory information concerning ROCKEFELLER that would jeopardize this appointment.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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Mr. GEORGE V. PALMER, former Schenectady County Democratic Chairman, advised that he has known the nominee on a political level for approximately 13 years. He advised that he knows the nominee to be of high character and loyalty to the United States. He advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER has a great deal of executive ability and believes that he will make a good appointment as Vice President of the United States.

The "Schenectady Gazette," a daily newspaper published at Schenectady, New York, edition of August 21, 1974, quoted Mr. PALMER as saying, "that the nominee tends to breed controversy and might not be a unifying influence." Mr. PALMER stated that by this he meant that the nominee was often the basis of controversy because of some of his proposed programs. One example of this would be the nominee's position on abortion. Mr. PALMER stated that this should not be taken as anything derogatory toward the nominee personally and he was only commenting on some of the past efforts of Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

Mr. PALMER stated that he would recommend the nominee for a high Federal administrative position.

It is noted that Mr. PALMER is a practicing attorney in the City of Schenectady.

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [ ] on August 22, 1974:

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THOMAS LIVINGSTON, Democratic Party Chairman for Schoharie County, Howes Cave, New York, advised that he is not acquainted with the nominee. He advised he has never met Mr. ROCKEFELLER and is opposed to his political views. He advised that he knows of no derogatory information concerning Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

DEWIGHT H. LANE, Chairman of the Republican Committee for Schoharie County, Sharon Springs, New York, advised that he has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER on approximately six occasions. He advised that he does not know Mr. ROCKEFELLER intimately but considers him to be a "down-to-earth man". He advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER, while Governor of New York State, was responsive to the people's needs in Schoharie County, and feels that he is an excellent administrator. Mr. LANE advised that he believes the nominee's knowledge of State and National Government is more than adequate to handle the position of Vice President of the United States. He advised that he has only good words to say for Mr. ROCKEFELLER and knows of no derogatory information concerning him.

HAZEL FIELD, Chairman of the Republican Committee of Otsego County, Cooperstown, New York, advised that she knew Mr. ROCKEFELLER professionally during his Administration as Governor of New York State. She advised that she has met Mr. ROCKEFELLER on approximately a dozen occasions and considers him to be an excellent administrator. She advised that he is easy to work with and readily available to be contacted. She stated that the nominee is in her opinion a completely honest and loyal American. She advised that Mr. ROCKEFELLER during his term as Governor of New York State was very much aware of and interested in the problems of Otsego County. She advised that she considers him to be an extremely fine choice for Vice President of the United States.



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The following investigation was conducted by  
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JEAN ANGELL, Chairman, Tompkins County Democratic Party, was interviewed at which time she furnished the following information:

She has never met NELSON ROCKEFELLER and has no personal knowledge of him; however, she does not feel he was a good Governor for the State of New York and he is not her choice for the Vice Presidency. She said he left the people of New York State with the highest tax rate in the country while building monuments to himself. He is not people-oriented, she said, in that he could have done more for mental hygiene, rehabilitation of criminals and prison reform while New York State Governor. She does not feel he was sensitive enough to peoples' needs and their immediate personal problems. Ms. ANGELL said she has no direct knowledge regarding ROCKEFELLER's character, loyalty or ethical conduct and does not feel qualified to comment in this regard.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED], on August 26 and 27, 1974:

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DANIEL T. HEALY, Chairman, Warren County, New York, Democratic Committee, was contacted at his residence at [REDACTED], Glens Falls, New York. During the past 10 years or so, Mr. HEALY had occasional contact in large groups at political functions with ROCKEFELLER. He does not feel he knows ROCKEFELLER well enough to comment concerning his moral character and associates. Mr. HEALY feels that ROCKEFELLER'S loyalty to the United States is unquestionable, and said he is a very good administrator and will make an excellent Vice President.

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EDWARD MC MAHON, Attorney and Democratic Committeeman, Saratoga Springs, New York, was contacted at his law office on Lake Avenue, Saratoga Springs. Mr. MC MAHON said he feels unqualified to comment concerning ROCKEFELLER'S moral character or associates since he knows ROCKEFELLER only by reputation, but feels ROCKEFELLER is a responsible and loyal United States citizen.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [ ] on August 27, 1974, at Brandon, Vermont.

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HARRY ROTHENBERG, Democratic City Chairman, Brandon, Vermont, advised he has no personal knowledge of the nominee, other than that which he has obtained from the news media. ROTHENBERG stated because of this, he is unable to make any comment as to the nominee's character, associates, reputation and loyalty, ROTHENBERG added he is also unable to comment on the nominee's administrative ability or his ability to fulfill the office of Vice President.

ROTHENBERG did state while having no personal knowledge of the nominee he views his nomination with great optimism.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974, at  
Burlington, Vermont:

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CONSTANCE PAPIN, [redacted], advised that she is currently the President of the Democratic Women's City Organization of Burlington, Vermont, and has been active in the Democratic Party in Vermont for several years. Miss PAPIN advised that she has never met the nominee personally; however, she has read and heard a lot about this individual. She considers the nominee to be of excellent character and reputation. She advised she has heard of nothing unfavorable concerning ROCKEFELLER. She advised she considers the nominee to be a loyal and outstanding American.

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She advised that she admires ROCKEFELLER for the way in which he has become involved in the problems of this country. She advised that he did not have to become involved in the problems the way he has due to his financial background. Miss PAPIN advised that she considers ROCKEFELLER to be a good public administrator and would recommend the nominee for a high Federal administrative position.

GORDON PAQUETTE, Democrat, Mayor, advised that he has never met the nominee personally; however, he considers the nominee to be of excellent character and reputation. Mayor PAQUETTE advised that he has heard of nothing unfavorable concerning the nominee's reputation and character. He advised he considers the nominee to be a loyal American and a good administrator who has a fine knowledge of big business. Mayor PAQUETTE advised that he admires the way the nominee has taken an active part in politics working toward the solution of several of the problems of this country, when financially he did not have to become so involved. Mayor PAQUETTE advised that he would recommend the nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
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PATRICK J. LEAHY, Chittenden County States Attorney, Burlington, Vermont, aspirant for Democratic United States Senator from Vermont, advised that he has had no personal contact with the nominee. He stated that his only knowledge of nominee is that which he has found in the news media and based upon this information, he has no reason to preclude nominee being appointed Vice President of the United States.

MARGARET A. HARTINGAN, Democratic National Committeewoman, Burlington, Vermont, advised that she has had no personal contact with nominee. She advised that she knows of nothing derogatory concerning the nominee and is only familiar with him through the news media. However, she stated that based upon that knowledge she is satisfied with his being selected as Vice President of the United States.

DANIEL J. O'BRIEN, Democratic National Committeeman, South Burlington, Vermont, advised that he has had no personal contact with the nominee and has not followed the nominee's political career. He stated, however, that based on what he has heard and read through the news media he is satisfied with nominee's being selected as Vice President of the United States.

CAROLYN ADLER, Chittenden County Democratic Committee, Creek Road, Essex Junction, Vermont, advised that she has had no personal contact with the nominee. She stated that she is a former resident of New York State and that she knows of nothing derogatory concerning nominee's character, morals or reputation that would preclude nominee being appointed Vice President of the United States.

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MISCELLANEOUS

INFORMATION CONCERNING  
NEW YORK STATE SPEAKER  
OF THE ASSEMBLY  
PERRY B. DURYEA, JR.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on August 26, 1974 at Albany, New York:

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Attorney CHARLES S. WEBB, Republican, Legislative Counsel to PERRY B. DURYEA, JR., Speaker of the Assembly, State of New York, advised as follows:

He has known nominee, NELSON ROCKEFELLER, since 1969 and met with him at legislative leaders' meetings and also socially. He stated that he knows nothing that would reflect unfavorably upon the character, loyalty or associates of the nominee. He feels ROCKEFELLER has been seeking the office of President for many years and this is one route he is taking. He stated he is a very strong-willed individual and generally gets what he goes after.

Mr. WEBB stated that an indictment against Speaker DURYEA was returned in November, 1973, by the New York County Grand Jury on a misdemeanor charge of conspiracy which was later dismissed as the statute was held unconstitutional by the New York State Courts.

Mr. WEBB stated that although he has no proof of any wrongdoing, he questions the circumstances of the above indictment and has wondered if maybe the reason behind this was not directed toward eliminating Speaker DURYEA as a possible candidate for Governor on the Republican ticket, and also if this possibility was not a planned maneuver by the nominee in order that the nominee might continue to control the Republican Party through the Lieutenant Governor and now Governor, MALCOLM WILSON. He related the following as the circumstances leading up to the indictment:

Mr. WEBB stated that prior to July, 1973, the New York State Attorney General LOUIS LEFKOWITZ started an investigation of an election law violation, namely regarding a letter that had been written to enrolled Liberals during the previous election. He stated the letter was paid for by the Republican Assembly Campaign Committee and directed to the enrolled Liberals in order to attract the Liberal vote for certain Republican candidates. He stated this letter did not contain at the bottom, the identification as to who paid for the letter as required by the law. He stated under New York State law, it was a misdemeanor violation to put out political material that did not contain identification of those who put it out. He stated that at the time, this letter



was sent out, the Assembly Campaign Committee was aware of the law but did not feel that the letter came under the purview of the statute. He stated this was the nature of the Attorney General's investigation and the day after the close of the legislative session in 1973, the Attorney General's office sent out subpoenas for witnesses. He stated that suddenly there was a dramatic shift of this investigation from the Attorney General's office to the District Attorney's office in New York County which at that time, was held by Mr. FRANK HOGAN. He stated that an Assistant District Attorney, ALFRED SCOTTI, handled the case before the Grand Jury. Mr. WEBB stated that this presentation began in July, 1973, and lasted until after Thanksgiving or early December, 1973. The presentation was low-key and in his (WEBB'S) conversation with Mr. SCOTTI, Mr. SCOTTI indicated Speaker DURYEA was never supposed to appear before the Grand Jury. In the first part of November, Mr. SCOTTI stated that Speaker DURYEA might have to appear and then the Monday after Thanksgiving, Mr. SCOTTI called Speaker DURYEA to appear before the Grand Jury.

Mr. WEBB stated that during the presentation, witnesses and records from Speaker DURYEA'S office were produced and his office always cooperated with the District Attorney's office. Mr. WEBB stated that near the end of the presentation, there was some change in attitude on the part of the District Attorney's office, the reason for which he does not know. He stated this possibility made him question why a sudden dramatic shift of the investigation from the Attorney General's office to the New York County District Attorney's office and why suddenly ROCKEFELLER resigned his office as Governor the day before an indictment was returned against Speaker DURYEA. He stated he wondered if possibly the nominee did this in order to control the Republican nomination for Governor for Mr. WILSON rather than for Speaker DURYEA. Mr. WEBB again reiterated he has no facts to substantiate this and these are only questions going through his mind, but he still wonders if this, in fact, was not done to eliminate the effectiveness of Speaker DURYEA as a possible candidate for Governor.

Mr. WEBB stated his personal feeling regarding the nominee is that he is too strong-willed of a person to remain in the number two position too long, but he feels ROCKEFELLER will do a lot for the United States if the right agreement is made between him and the President as to his duties. He stated, however, that ROCKEFELLER would not be his first choice to serve as Vice-President. Mr. WEBB stated that he preferred not to elaborate on this point any further.

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA GEORGE P. SIMPSON on August 26, 1974:

LOUIS J. LEFKOWITZ, Attorney General, New York State, member of Republican party, was contacted at the New York State Fair, Syracuse, New York. He was apprised of an allegation that the nominee brought pressure to bear on the office of Manhattan District Attorney, FRANK HOGAN; possibly through Mr. LEFKOWITZ, to make public the illegal election procedures indictment against New York State Republican Leader, PERRY DURYEA, the day after ROCKEFELLER resigned as Governor of New York in order to thwart a DURYEA bid for the Governorship.

LEFKOWITZ advised he routinely referred the DURYEA matter to HOGAN's office for his consideration about June, 1973 and was aware that hundreds of witnesses appeared before a Grand Jury during the following months. He stated that HOGAN's staff, principally assisted by District Attorney AL SCOTTI and SCOTTI's assistant, Mr. [REDACTED], handled the presentation to the Grand Jury.

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LEFKOWITZ denied that ROCKEFELLER contacted him to have HOGAN make public the indictment in November, 1973 and called the allegations ridiculous, irresponsible, and a baseless statement without any foundation. He observed that anyone knowing FRANK HOGAN (now deceased), would realize that HOGAN would not have been receptive to such an approach. He added that while no such pressure came from him or his office, only FRANK HOGAN, AL SCOTTI or MR. [REDACTED] could answer for any approaches or pressure from contacts or whether the press release timing was coincidental with the Governor's resignation.

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He stated that he is aware that [REDACTED] has been previously reported in New York City papers as the source of these allegations.

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STATEMENT OF NEW YORK  
STATE RIGHT TO LIFE  
COMMITTEE

AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents [redacted] and JOHN P. KOSAKOWSKI, JR. on August 23, 1974:

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JACK ST. LEGER, Executive Director of the New York State Right To Life Committee, 41 State Street, Albany, New York, advised that New York State Right To Life Committee does not feel that NELSON ROCKEFELLER is acceptable to be Vice President of the United States. ST. LEGER, who is the spokesman for the New York State Right To Life Committee, stated that his sole basis for finding NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER unacceptable is because of ROCKEFELLER'S persistent support for permissive abortion.

Attached is a public statement that was released on August 20, 1974, and is the official view of the New York State Right To Life Committee regarding the nomination of NELSON ROCKEFELLER by President GERALD FORD.

The statement was published in the Evangelist, a Diocese of Albany publication, on August 22, 1974. It should be noted that attached public statement comments on the fact that Mr. ROCKEFELLER'S talents as an administrator and executive are not at issue with the New York State Right To Life Committee.

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ALBANY--Selection of former New York governor

Nelson Rockefeller as the Vice President designate is a stunning indication that the Ford administration is committed to a policy of power and prestige first and the people of the nation second.

Mr. Rockefeller is hailed as a man who could support peace abroad. In fact, while governor, he alone approved and sustained a greater level of violence than has ever been known in the land. This was his persistent support for permissive abortion. In New York State alone, during the three year period between 1970, when Governor Rockefeller signed a permissive abortion law, and 1973, when he relinquished the governorship to Malcolm Wilson, it is estimated that there were some three quarter of a million abortions in the State.

As Vice President, Mr. Rockefeller would preside over the Senate. A Human Life Amendment, which would restore respect for life, including the unborn, aged, defectives, and all Americans, as the framers of the Constitution

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intended, is now being studied by a committee of that body. It is inconceivable that Mr. Rockefeller would permit full and fair consideration by the full Senate, were he the presiding officer. His selection, therefore, must be viewed as a commitment by the Ford administration to continue to disenfranchise the millions of Americans not yet born who will be killed by abortion.

Mr. Rockefeller's record of absolute support for legalized social killing indicates that he would find no problem approving, and urging the President to approve, the various other forms of respectable killing now being urged by various groups, including organizations supported by the Rockefeller Foundation.

Mr. Rockefeller's talents as an administrator and executive are not the issue here. What is at issue is that Mr. Rockefeller puts power and influence first and humanity second. We can think of no greater shame for the nation than a man of this leaning as the potential President of the greatest nation in the world.

We urge the citizens of New York State and the nation to repudiate violence by demanding that the Congress insist on a Vice President who will stand for all Americans, not just the powerful and elite.

Press Contact: Jack St. Leger, Executive Director

INFORMATION CONCERNING  
SOUTH MALL PROJECT



AL 161-965

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA ROBERT W. ROSS on August 26, 1974:

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JAMES MC CABE, New York State Assemblyman, (Democrat), [REDACTED], Johnson City, New York, advised that he has known the nominee on a professional basis for approximately ten years. Mr. MC CABE advised that he sent a telegram to President FORD urging that ROCKEFELLER not be nominated for the position of Vice President. He advised that ROCKEFELLER has abused the executive power of the New York State Government and has bent the State Constitution to fit the executive will. He stated that ROCKEFELLER circumvented the New York State Constitution in authorizing the South Mall Project in violation of Article 7, Section 11, New York State Constitution.

Mr. MC CABE advised that ROCKEFELLER violated the spirit of the Constitution; if not the letter, in pushing bills through the Legislature at the end of a session as "advanced as a message of necessity". Mr. MC CABE advised that the Constitution calls for emergency-type legislation to be expeditiously advanced to the Legislators. At the end of a legislative session it was not uncommon to receive proposed legislation marked as a message of necessity. Mr. MC CABE advised that he is unable to furnish specific bill numbers; however, stated that the following items fell into this category at the end of the 1973 Session:

1. Marine Bird Sanctuary, Montauk Point, New York.
2. New Definitions Of A Person In Need of Supervision.
3. Identification Badges For Election Inspectors.
4. Establishment Of A Nature and Historical Preserve, Bronx, New York.



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Mr. MC CABE advised that in contrast to the above bills, the supplemental budget was also advanced as a message of necessity and thus the Legislators had no time to digest its contents prior to being called upon to vote upon the matter.

Assemblyman MC CABE advised that he would not recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President.

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ARTHUR LEVITT, Comptroller, New York State Department of Audit and Control, Albany, New York, registered Democrat, advised that he has known NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER on a personal and official basis for the past sixteen years.

LEVITT stated that he regards ROCKEFELLER as an extremely talented and able administrator who has the innate ability to grasp highly complex subjects and arrive at sound decisions. LEVITT advised that ROCKEFELLER has created great things for the State of New York, and displayed tremendous qualities of leadership in building the State of New York University System in just a few years, the huge network of highways in the State and the South Mall Governmental Building Complex.

LEVITT stated that there have been some serious differences of opinion between them, pointing out that he has always felt that ROCKEFELLER is indifferent to the consequences of deficit spending and borrowing and that some of his fiscal policies have been a contributing factor to inflation.

HE advised the most serious difference of opinion arose as a result of the building of the South Mall Project. In this regard, LEVITT stated ROCKEFELLER embarked upon this building program in 1960 and he, LEVITT, opposed it from the beginning as he felt that ROCKEFELLER was circumventing the New York State Constitution which forbids large scale capital construction without approval by a statewide referendum. LEVITT advised that ROCKEFELLER'S agreement with Albany County wherein the costs of this project were financed through a bond issue was particularly irksome to him as it meant that all New York State taxpayers were paying for the mall without the voters approval. He said that this method of financing the

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Mall project thus made it more expensive for the people of the State of New York.

LEVITT advised he is positive that the voters of New York State would have rejected any bond issue to finance the South Mall Project. He said that he disagreed with ROCKEFELLER on the basis of cost and priority as the South Mall Project did not occupy top priority in the State's financial history at that time.

LEVITT advised that he does not agree with any allegations that ROCKEFELLER has ever pressured Albany County into financing and constructing the South Mall as the Mall actually replaced a slum area of Albany, created an arterial network leading to the approaches of downtown Albany, and is a great boost for business in the Albany area. He stated that Albany derives all these benefits together with a sum of money in lieu of taxes and he is positive that ROCKEFELLER, therefore, had not exerted the pressures of his office to accomplish this purpose.

LEVITT advised that the State University Dormitory Authority and The New York State Thruway Authority were not created by ROCKEFELLER as independent bodies for the purpose of capital construction to avoid a statewide referendum in circumvention of the New York State Constitution as these agencies are self-supporting by virtue of their money-making capabilities and are not a burden to the people of New York State. LEVITT stated that the South Mall, in contrast, is not a business venture and no money is generated to support its financing.

LEVITT stated that although he has had his differences of opinion with ROCKEFELLER, there have been broad areas of agreement with ROCKEFELLER policies and ROCKEFELLER has worked in many areas to the advantage of the people. LEVITT stated that he considers ROCKEFELLER as a person of the highest moral, personal and ethical integrity, a man of intense patriotism and recommended him without reservation for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [REDACTED] on August 26, 1974, at Albany,  
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MAURICE J. FLEISCHMAN, Deputy Controller, New York State Department of Audit and Control, advised that the Albany South Mall project, now known as the Empire State Plaza, was a result of the "Capital City Commission" which was headed by then Lieutenant Governor, MALCOLM WILSON, of the State of New York. The main objective of this Commission was the improvement of the city of Albany. Mr. FLEISCHMAN stated that the financing of the South Mall was underwritten by the sale of bonds by the County of Albany. Mr. FLEISCHMAN advised that under the New York State Constitution any bond which has the full faith and credit of New York State must be submitted to a referendum by the citizens of New York State. Mr. FLEISCHMAN stated that because of the financing of the South Mall by Albany County, the South Mall issue was not subjected to a referendum and that there was nothing illegal involved in this procedure. Mr. FLEISCHMAN advised that Albany County is building the structures which make up the South Mall and the State of New York is paying rent on these buildings, the money being appropriated during the New York State Legislative sessions. The Mall is being constructed by the State which is serving as an agent for the County of Albany. Mr. FLEISCHMAN advised that both city and Albany County officials were anxious to have the Mall constructed because of the benefits, such as cleaning out slum areas, which would result from the South Mall being built. Mr. FLEISCHMAN described the South Mall financing as originally a "toss up" between the City of Albany and the County of Albany. Albany finally decided that the County of Albany was in a better financial position to sell the bonds necessary to aid the South Mall. Mr. FLEISCHMAN stated that the two officials who would be more knowledgeable regarding the South Mall on a local Government basis would be ERASTUS CORNING, Mayor of Albany, and Judge JOHN J. CLYNE, who was a County Attorney at the time construction on the South Mall commenced.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] on  
August 26, 1974:

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MICHAEL WHITEMAN, Counsel to the Governor, State Capitol, advised that he served as Acting Counsel to the Governor during the period 1968 through 1971 and in 1971 he was appointed by ROCKEFELLER to his present position. Mr. WHITEMAN advised that he considers ROCKEFELLER to be an extremely honorable and straightforward man and has great respect for his administrative abilities. He advised that he has absolutely no reason to question ROCKEFELLER'S moral character or loyalty to the United States. Mr. WHITEMAN stated that he considers ROCKEFELLER an excellent choice for the office of Vice President of the United States and highly recommends him.

WHITEMAN stated that concerning the Albany South Mall, ROCKEFELLER did not circumvent the New York State Constitution. He stated that Albany County is constructing office buildings on State-owned lands and the State is paying rent to Albany County for these buildings. The original financing plan for the South Mall was proposed by the Mayor of Albany but because of the debt ceiling of the City of Albany the financing was taken over by Albany County. Mr. WHITEMAN stated that the general mechanism of financing State buildings by the selling of bonds by a particular county has been tested in the courts and found to be constitutional.



The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on August 27, 1974:

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ERASTUS CORNING, Mayor, a Democrat, advised that he has been the Mayor of the City of Albany, New York for over thirty years and that he has been a close personal friend of ROCKEFELLER since childhood.

CORNING stated that the State Civil Service Retirement System was interested in constructing office buildings in the City of Albany and then leasing these buildings to New York State.

In 1945, CORNING related that he approached then Governor THOMAS DEWEY with the idea of the City of Albany constructing office buildings within the city and then leasing these buildings to New York State. However, he added, Governor DEWEY was not receptive to this idea.

CORNING advised that early in the ROCKEFELLER Administration, ROCKEFELLER decided he wanted to have the State Office Buildings back in the downtown area. The State Legislature appropriated \$20,000,000 to buy the site which is now known as the South Mall.

CORNING stated that the City of Albany went to court to get an injunction against the State of New York to stop the construction of the South Mall because it meant a displacement of 10,000 people and also that there was nothing in the plans at that time for the South Mall which concerned halls, museum, and so forth, which would benefit the City of Albany. However, Mayor CORNING'S objections to the South Mall were corrected when these objections of CORNING'S were completely satisfied by the State.

CORNING stated that after the State Legislature had purchased this land for the South Mall, the idea of the Mall laid dormant. CORNING stated that he then approached Governor ROCKEFELLER and advised Governor ROCKEFELLER that the City of Albany would be interested in the financing of the South Mall through the issuance of bonds.

CORNING added that he heard nothing from Governor ROCKEFELLER for approximately two months at which time he again approached Governor ROCKEFELLER and again pointed out to the Governor that the City of Albany was interested

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in getting the South Mall project underway and that the city was willing to issue bonds for the construction of the Mall. It was at this second meeting that Governor ROCKEFELLER became receptive to CORNING'S ideas and this resulted in the South Mall construction meeting.

CORNING related that it then became apparent that the issuance of the bonds for the South Mall by the City of Albany could better be handled through the Albany County Legislature, and, therefore, Albany County became the political body responsible for the issuance of the bonds.

Mayor CORNING exhibited a photograph of Governor ROCKEFELLER which had the inscription "To ERASTUS CORNING for his original ideas for the financing of the South Mall."

Mayor CORNING made available a copy of the official statement of County Of Albany, New York entitled, "\$70,000,000, County Of Albany, New York, South Mall Construction (serial) Bonds, Series C," dated January 1, 1968, which is attached as an enclosure.

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 27, 1974:

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Judge JOHN J. CLYNE, Albany County Court, advised that prior to making any statements concerning ROCKEFELLER he wished to state for record purposes that he is a Democrat and that his opinions concerning ROCKEFELLER are strictly personal. Judge CLYNE stated that he has associated with ROCKEFELLER since approximately 1955 on an infrequent basis and he has met with the nominee approximately six times. Judge CLYNE stated that concerning ROCKEFELLER'S moral character he only knows what has been printed in newspapers and made the statement, "the morals of today have changed." He described ROCKEFELLER as a loyal American but stated that "ROCKEFELLER does what is best for ROCKEFELLER" and he (ROCKEFELLER) is very concerned about his place in the sun. Judge CLYNE stated that he feels that ROCKEFELLER'S drug programs have been a disaster, noting that one billion dollars have been spent on drug rehabilitation matters but he cannot see any real results. Judge CLYNE stated that he compares the Albany South Mall, now known as the Empire State Plaza, to the Pharaohs of ancient Egypt building pyramids, only instead of using slave labor ROCKEFELLER uses the taxpayer's money. Judge CLYNE also advised that ROCKEFELLER perverted the law by appointing additional judges for the New York State Court of Claims and then used them to enforce his new drug program with mandatory life sentences for drug offenders. Judge CLYNE advised that the mandatory life sentence will probably be ruled cruel and unusual punishment and he feels that ROCKEFELLER'S handling of the whole drug-related situation has been ludicrous. Judge CLYNE made the observation that he thinks it is more than coincidence that the City and County of Albany which are Democratic strongholds have been investigated one way or another by the State Special Investigation Commission (SIC) four times in the past several years. Judge CLYNE stated that he "shudders" at the thought of ROCKEFELLER being associated with The White House and feels that ROCKEFELLER lacks principles and integrity. He described ROCKEFELLER as "clever". Judge CLYNE stated that he definitely does not recommend ROCKEFELLER for the position of Vice President of the United States.

Judge CLYNE made the following observations concerning the Albany South Mall: He stated that the South Mall Project commenced with the State of New York condemning 98 acres of land in Downtown Albany. Approximately 10,000 people resided on these 98 acres of land. Judge CLYNE stated that Mayor ERASTUS CORNING



of the City of Albany was then faced with the situation of leaving these 98 acres of land barren or cooperating with the State of New York in the construction of the South Mall. Judge CLYNE stated that the Mayor originally "went into orbit" over the condemnation of the 98 acres of land and instituted a law suit in order to have the project stopped. However, the differences between the City of Albany and New York State were resolved. Judge CLYNE advised that the original financial arrangement of underwriting the cost of the South Mall by the City of Albany was the idea of Mayor CORNING. He stated that Mayor CORNING derived no personal benefits from this financial arrangement but he (the Mayor) wanted to do something with the land that was cleared. Judge CLYNE advised that the city's debt limit was such that the city could not handle the financing of the South Mall and consequently the cost was underwritten by Albany County. Judge CLYNE advised that at this time, which was in the mid 60s, he was County Attorney and de facto County Executive and therefore, was associated with the South Mall Project. Judge CLYNE stated that ROCKEFELLER did not circumvent the New York State Constitution pertaining to voter approval for large scale capital construction. He advised that ROCKEFELLER "did indirectly what could not be done directly" and he did not do anything illegal. Judge CLYNE advised that under Chapter 152, Laws of 1964 (New York State) which was enacted March 23, 1964, counties with a population of over 250,000 people containing a city of over 75,000 people could enter into an agreement with the State for construction of State facilities. Judge CLYNE stated that after this law was enacted is when Albany County played a role in the construction of the South Mall. Judge CLYNE offered the opinion that the New York State voters would probably have never approved a bond issue to finance the South Mall. Judge CLYNE stated that an agreement between the State and Albany County was negotiated during the period January through April of 1965. Judge CLYNE advised that he did not like the condemnation of 98 acres of Downtown Albany for the South Mall but once it was started he thought that it was a good idea. Judge CLYNE stated that he thought the South Mall would help the community, the construction industry, would become a tourist attraction and would insure that the majority of State offices remain in the Albany area. Judge CLYNE advised that he is all for the South Mall in view of the fact that there was 98 acres of nothing prior to the start of construction. Judge CLYNE advised that he does not feel that pressure tactics were employed by the ROCKEFELLER Administration for the financing of the Albany South Mall. He stated that both the City of Albany and Albany County would benefit financially by approximately \$25,000,000 because of the South Mall.

NEGATIVE INTERVIEWS

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The following individuals were contacted regarding their knowledge of the nominee. They advised that since they have no personal knowledge concerning him they could not make any valid comment.

RICHARD P. RIFENBURGH, President, Mohawk Data Science Corporation, Herkimer, New York.

CHARLES HOTALING, Acting President, Pioneer Savings Bank, Troy, New York.

WALTER SPEIDEL, President and Chief Executive Officer, Cohoes Savings Bank, Cohoes, New York.

DAVID J. SHURTLEFF, Vice President and General Manager, WSYR Radio and Television, Syracuse, New York.

MICHAEL J. CORKEN, Vice President and General Manager, WAST - TV, Albany, New York.

JOHN YOUNG, Broome County Democratic Party Chairman, Binghamton, New York.

RUTH POGER, Campaign Manager for THOMAS P. SALMON, Governor of the State of Vermont.

RAYMOND B. STEFANO, Democratic Chairman, Oneida County, Utica, New York.

MICHAEL J. BRAGMAN, Democratic Minority Leader, Onondaga County Legislature, Syracuse, New York.

JOHN W. BURGER, Herkimer County Republican Chairman, Ilion, New York.

ANN McGANN, Herkimer County Democratic Chairman, Ilion, New York.

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[redacted], Motion Clerk, Court of Appeals, Albany, New York, advised after checking his records that NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER as Governor of New York was the subject of suits instituted by [redacted]. He stated that from the abstract record available to him, these suits were instituted in 1969 and 1970. In the information readily available, the suits were instituted in lower courts and were against the Governor of New York and other State officials to prohibit actions on their part in connection with their duties as promulgated by law or enactment of the Legislature. [redacted] advised from the information available to him that the suits were denied in the lower courts. Permission had been granted for appeal and the appeals were denied in those instances where the case was presented to the Court of Appeals. He advised that it would be necessary for a check to be made of the lower court involved to determine the exact details of the suits. He stated more than likely the suits could have been instituted in one county and jurisdiction transferred to another upon motion of either party. He advised that detailed information would be necessary before he could make available the necessary records of the suits.

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CREDIT AND STATE  
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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 27, 1974, at Albany,  
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[redacted], Leslie's Albany Credit Bureau,  
advised she could locate no record for NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER.  
[redacted], Manager, Leslie's Albany Credit Bureau, verified  
the fact that ROCKEFELLER has no credit record with his agency.

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by SA [redacted] on August 23, 1974, at  
Albany, New York.

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ALFRED L. GREEN, First Deputy Commissioner,  
New York State Department of Taxation and Finance,  
advised that he regretfully cannot supply any information concerning ROCKEFELLER's New York State Tax, since this type of information is confidential under State law.

During the course of interview with NORMAN F. GALLMAN on August 22, 1974, former Commissioner, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, he advised that ROCKEFELLER was not delinquent in his New York State Income Tax. Mr. GALLMAN stated that he retired from his position in 1973.

Enclosure

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AUGUST 27, 1974

TO SAC SAN ANTONIO (161-774)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (161-6197)

NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER, SPECIAL INQUIRY.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Cleveland *WVC*

FROM : O. E. Coleman *OC*

SUBJECT: NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER  
VICE PRESIDENT DESIGNATE  
SPECIAL INQUIRY

DATE: 8-27-74

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Reference is made to my previous memorandum dated today concerning the interview with Dr. James S. Murphy, Happy Rockefeller's former husband. That memo indicated that Supervisor John Warren in New York was going to contact Douglas to try to expedite the arrangements for this interview.

At 2:20 p.m. today Warren called SA D. H. Young and advised that he had just talked to Douglas who is in Washington, D. C. He stated that Douglas advised him he has discussed this matter with Governor Rockefeller this morning. He said that Governor Rockefeller pointed out that Murphy is presently residing in his, Murphy's, summer home in Seal Harbor, Maine, where he is a neighbor of the Rockefellers. Governor Rockefeller said that Seal Harbor is a very small place where everyone knows everyone else's business and he said he would appreciate it if we would defer any interview of Murphy until after Labor Day, 9-2-74, when Murphy will return to his permanent residence in New York.

Under the circumstances it appears that there is no other choice but to acquiesce with Governor Rockefeller's request. Warren was instructed to follow this matter with Douglas so that we can interview Murphy as planned after Labor Day as soon as possible.

## ACTION:

For information.

- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Cleveland
- 1 - Mr. Coleman
- 1 - Mr. Auerswald
- 1 - Mr. Young

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Cleveland *W*

DATE: 8-27-74

FROM : O. E. Coleman *OEC*

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At 12:20 p.m. today SA D. H. Young spoke to Supervisor John Warren in New York with regard to the interview with Happy Rockefeller's former husband, Dr. James S. Murphy. It is noted that Governor Rockefeller has advised that he or Mrs. Rockefeller have no objection to such an interview but had stated that he would like to be contacted beforehand so he could advise his wife who would advise Dr. Murphy the FBI planned to interview him. *Coleman*

Warren stated that he contacted Robert Douglas, Rockefeller's attorney on Sunday morning, 8-25-74, and requested that he contact Rockefeller and advise him we did desire to interview Murphy, so that Mrs. Rockefeller could so inform Murphy. Warren stated Douglas said he would try to reach Rockefeller Sunday and would advise Warren as soon as possible. On Monday morning, 8-26-74, Douglas sent word to Warren he had been unable to contact the Governor in this regard but would keep trying. Warren has not heard from Douglas since. It is noted that Douglas has been traveling a lot between Bar Harbor, New York, and Washington, D. C., since Sunday morning. *J*

Warren was instructed to get in touch with Douglas and advise him we are operating under a very short deadline in this case and we want to complete this interview with Murphy as soon as possible. Warren stated he would do so at once.

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- 1 - Mr. Cleveland
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- 1 - Mr. Young

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. [redacted] ✓

FROM : [redacted] EC

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VICE PRESIDENT - DESIGNATE  
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At 2:20 p.m. today Supervisor [redacted] called SA D. H. Young from New York. He advised that he had just been in contact with Robert Douglas, Governor Rockefeller's attorney, and, among other things, they had discussed the waiver from Governor Rockefeller's ex-wife, Mary Rockefeller, to review the sealed divorce records in Reno, Nevada. Douglas stated that Governor Rockefeller had advised him that he, Rockefeller, was getting in touch with his attorney, [redacted], who will contact Mary Rockefeller's attorney, Whitney North Seymour, Sr., to "pave the way" for the procurement of the waiver from Mary Rockefeller. Douglas said that Governor Rockefeller feels that the matter should be handled between the two attorneys.

[redacted] advised that he will follow this matter closely with Douglas so that the divorce records can be reviewed as quickly as possible.

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- 1 - Mr. [redacted]  
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1 - Mr. Young

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. [redacted] *WVC*

FROM : [redacted] *EC*

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On late Monday afternoon, 8-26-74, Samuel Gillespie, New York City attorney representing Nelson A. Rockefeller, made available Xerox copies of individual Federal income tax returns for the nominee and his wife for the ten year period 1964 through 1973.

Mr. Gillespie advised that a summary statement had been prepared for inclusion in the FBI investigative report; however, this statement had been forwarded to Maine for review and approval by the nominee and would not be available until probably late afternoon Tuesday. Mr. Gillespie advised that they desired the access to these returns be limited to FBI personnel as there was concern that the information contained therein remain confidential. He pointed out that copies of returns for seven years were also being furnished Congressional Committees. Mr. Gillespie was advised that the returns would be reviewed by FBI personnel during the current investigation and information would be abstracted for inclusion in the FBI report which would be disseminated. He stated he understood this and had no objection to abstracted information being set forth in the FBI report.

The returns show that the nominee's gross income varied from \$4.97 million in 1964 with Federal taxes paid of \$1.69 million to \$4.81 million in 1973 with \$.76 million in Federal taxes paid. The returns are currently being reviewed in detail.

Mr. Gillespie advised that certain administrative problems had been encountered in preparing the other financial information requested by the FBI as the Governor's staff was split up at various locations throughout the east coast. His staff was gathering on 8-26-74 and procedures were being set up to review the financial information already prepared for the FBI and to initiate action to prepare other information that was not as yet available. He anticipated that additional financial

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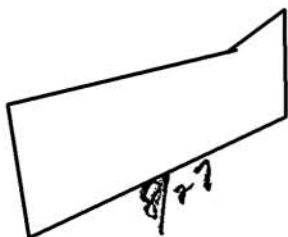
statements would be furnished on Tuesday, 8-27-74, and working space for FBI personnel would be made available shortly in the offices of Rockefeller where they will be given access to the underlying records.

Three Special Agents are currently reviewing the tax returns and sufficient financial material is now available to justify arrival on Wednesday of other Special Agent accountants, previously approved, to work on this case. Section Chief Long will insure accounting personnel are notified to travel to New York for arrival on Wednesday morning.

At this time we are not in a position to furnish a projected completion date for the review of the nominee's finances; however, as soon as all material is available an overall program will be set up and an educated projection made.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.



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SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Nominee's position as Chairman of the National Commission on Water quality verified and favorable. Nominee's association with the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board verified thru former Chairman. Associates, political leaders, members of the news media, and labor leaders all recommend. Author VICTOR LASKY advised that he is a political adversary of the nominee but described him as competent, capable and a man of integrity. Interview with Colonel CURTIS B. DALL, Chairman, Liberty Lobby set forth. No record of nominee's property as being encumbered with any covenants pertaining to race, color, creed or religion. No record of any tax liens against the nominee. Investigation at the Library of Congress set forth.

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ENCLOSURES:

EXHIBIT A .....Liberty Lobby Letter to the President which  
appeared in the Washington Star News,  
August 14, 1974.

EXHIBIT B .....Liberty Lowdown #62, dated April, 1968.

EXHIBIT C .....Liberty Lobby News, dated August 21, 1974.

EXHIBIT D .....Liberty Letter #161, dated September, 1974.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

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[redacted], Special Assistant to the Executive Director, National Commission on Water Quality, 1111 18th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. (WDC), was interviewed by SA [redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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[redacted] advised that he has two primary functions as Special Assistant to the Executive Director: He handles the relations with the national news media regarding the nominee's position as Chairman of National Commission on Water Quality and as former Governor of New York; and he is responsible for writing the final report of the above commission.

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He described the nominee as a man of great rectitude. He said the nominee is bright and capable of making a quick study of problem matters. He indicated the nominee is very thoughtful and considerate of his staff. He further described the nominee as diplomatic and possessing a capacity for understanding divergent points of view and yet having the capability to reconcile these differences. He stated the nominee is well-liked by his staff even though he disagrees with them at times. He indicated the nominee is also well liked by his fellow commission workers and supported this statement by advising that the nominee was elected Chairman of the National Commission on Water Quality at the first meeting of the Commission.

He indicated that the nominee had been appointed to the Commission by the President on March 15, 1973, and elected Chairman on May 15, 1973. He stated that the Commission was first named the National Study Commission and that name was changed on June 7, 1973, to its present name.

[redacted] advised that he unquestionably recommends the nominee for the position of Vice President.

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On August 28, 1974, U. S. Senator JENNINGS RANDOLPH, West Virginia, and Chairman Public Works Committee, U. S. Senate, advised SA MAURICE G. AUSTIN he has known the nominee politically for the past twelve years and has also known him socially and as a personal friend for many years.

The Senate Public Works Committee set up the legislation for the existence of the National Commission on Water Quality. The nominee has chaired this Commission since May 15, 1973, and he, Senator RANDOLPH, is a member of this Commission.

He described the nominee as being a very capable, innovative, resourceful person who is extremely dedicated to this type of public service.

He is a person of high integrity, has a broad understanding of America's problems and has an overriding concern to make a contribution to the Nation. He has great strength and Senator RANDOLPH believes the nominee will be a great asset to the Country, and recommended him for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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On August 27, 1974, General MAXWELL D. TAYLOR, U. S. Army (Retired) advised SA [ ] that he has known the nominee since approximately 1945 at which time the nominee was serving as Assistant Secretary of State for American Republic Affairs. He was acquainted with the nominee as Governor of New York State, when he (TAYLOR) managed the Lincoln Center. General TAYLOR served with the nominee for one year (1969 to 1970) on the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board. General TAYLOR was Chairman of that Board during that period and he stated that the nominee was highly knowledgeable in foreign affairs and a useful and effective member of the Board. General TAYLOR has always found the nominee to be an able, public-minded individual of impeccable character, reputation, and associates. He described him as a loyal American and recommended him without question for the position of Vice President of the United States.

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It is noted that the current Chairman of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, Admiral GEORGE W. ANDERSON, JR., U. S. Navy (Retired), is currently out of the country and is unavailable for interview.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA  
[redacted] on August 26, 1974:

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FRANK WILLE, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, stated that he has known NELSON ROCKEFELLER since 1960 when he worked for the nominee as an Assistant Counselor in Albany, New York. WILLE worked for the nominee in that capacity for approximately four years until 1964 when ROCKEFELLER appointed him Superintendent of Banks for the State of New York. He held this position from May, 1964 until April, 1970 when he became Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in Washington, D. C.

During the period he worked for Mr. ROCKEFELLER, WILLE had frequent contact with him and found him to be a **very hardworking and thorough person.** He stated that the nominee is very active both intellectually and physically and that he thrives on activity. WILLE has seen the nominee function under situations of extreme pressure and has found him to be a person who is able to get to the heart of any problems which confront him.

WILLE further described NELSON ROCKEFELLER as an excellent person **to work for, stating that he always stands** behind his staff in any decisions they might make. He considers the nominee to be a man of the utmost loyalty and has an extremely high personal regard for him.

WILLE concluded by stating that he **is delighted to** see NELSON ROCKEFELLER nominated for the office of Vice-President and feels that he will be a person who will make many contributions to the National **interests of the United States.**

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PERSONAL ASSOCIATES

Mr. NELSON CRUIKSHANK, President, National Council of Senior Citizens, 1511 K Street, N.W., advised SA [ ] on 8/27/74, that he has had an intermittent, working relationship with Mr. ROCKEFELLER for many years, primarily because of their work in the field of social security and social legislation. Mr. CRUIKSHANK noted that he himself, is a Democrat. He said he has always found Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be a very hardworking and dedicated American, who does what is best for the public interest. To his knowledge, Mr. ROCKEFELLER's character, associates, reputation and loyalty have always been above reproach. The selection of Mr. ROCKEFELLER to be Vice President is a splendid choice, and Mr. CRUIKSHANK endorses him wholeheartedly.

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On August 27, 1974, SOL M. LINOWITZ, former Ambassador to the Organization of American States and currently **Cochairman** National Urban Coalition, 1 Farragut Square South, Washington, D.C., advised SA [ ] that he has known the nominee, **Governor NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER**, well for about ten years and is on a first name basis with him. They have associated **socially, in business, and in quasi-governmental functions including the Commission on Critical Choices.** Ambassador LINOWITZ and his wife also know the nominee's wife quite well.

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Ambassador LINOWITZ has nothing but the highest respect, admiration and regard for the nominee describing him as a man of decency, integrity and honor. His patriotism and dedication are without question. Ambassador LINOWITZ is aware of no derogatory information at all about the nominee in any area. He is delighted that President FORD nominated Governor ROCKEFELLER for Vice President and adds his recommendations for the nominee to that position.

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On August 28, 1974, CHARLES E. GOODELL was interviewed by SA [redacted] at his law firm, Hydeman, Mason and Goodell, 1225 19th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. Mr. GOODELL was formerly a Senator from New York.

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Mr. GOODELL advised he has known the nominee politically since 1958. He was regularly associated with the nominee on a political basis during the years after 1959 when Mr. GOODELL was elected to the House of Representatives. From 1965 through 1968 Mr. GOODELL, while in Congress, worked closely with the nominee. When Mr. GOODELL was appointed to the Senate in 1968, he became close to the nominee not only politically, but personally as well. Their social association also became close.

Mr. GOODELL advised that the nominee is well qualified for the position of Vice President. He is aware of nothing in the background of the nominee that would disqualify him for the position of Vice President or President for that matter. Mr. GOODELL considers himself a personal friend of the nominee. They have had political differences which did not interfere with the respect they have for each other. Mr. GOODELL's relationship with the nominee as a friend, Congressman and Senator was on the highest level. He believes the nominee to be an honest and honorable man and is aware of no problems concerning him from a moral or personal standpoint.

Mr. GOODELL knows nothing about the financial affairs of the appointee or the financing of his campaigns.

Mr. GOODELL believes the character, associates, loyalty and reputation of the nominee to be beyond reproach. He recommends him for the position of Vice President and has so advised President FORD.

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On August 26, 1974, ROBERT S. STRAUSS, Chairman, Democratic National Committee, Washington, D.C., advised SA [ ] that he has known the nominee socially for many years. He noted that the nominee is highly qualified to fill the post of Vice President of the United States. He telephonically contacted the nominee on August 23, 1974, to wish him well in his new office. He stated he knows nothing derogatory regarding the nominee and recommended him for the position of Vice President of the United States. b6 b7c

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NEWS MEDIA

Mr. CLIFTON DANIEL, Bureau Chief, New York Times, 1920 L Street, N.W., advised SA [REDACTED] on August 27, 1974, that he has personally known NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for approximately 15 years having first met him when he was elected Governor of New York State. He has known him professionally and socially and is also acquainted with his wife.

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Mr. DANIEL has been a guest in the nominee's home and has attended numerous business and political conferences with him in New York City.

Mr. DANIEL advised that the nominee has worked and lived under the scrutiny of the public eye for some thirty-five years and he personally knows him to enjoy an excellent reputation. He endorsed the nominee for the position of Vice President without any qualification whatsoever and regards him as an excellent selection.

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On August 26, 1974, Mr. JOHN SANFORD LANG, Bureau Chief, "New York Post", National Press Building, Washington, D.C., advised SA MAURICE F. DONEGAN, JR., that he does not know the nominee, NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, and is therefore unable to make any comments regarding him.

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LABOR LEADERS

Mr. GEORGE MEANY, President, AFL-CIO, 815 15th Street, N.W., advised SA HUGH B. MC GAHEY on August 28, 1974, that he considers the nominee to be one of the best qualified persons in the United States for the position of Vice President.

He first met ROCKEFELLER about 40 years ago but only knew him casually until about 1940, when ROCKEFELLER came to Washington, D.C. (WDC) to work for the Federal Government in the Department of State. Mr. MEANY also stated he knew the nominee's father and had as high regard for him as he does for the nominee.

Mr. MEANY has maintained a close personal and professional association with Mr. ROCKEFELLER for the past 30 years. He knows the nominee's reputation, both personal and professional, to be of the highest caliber and his integrity and loyalty to the United States cannot be questioned.

Mr. MEANY believes that the nominee's many years of service in Federal and State governmental positions have afforded him the expertise and capability to fulfill the needs and demands required of the Vice President, and he would recommend him without qualification. He commented that ROCKEFELLER is a great, fine man and everything he knows about him is entirely favorable.

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On August 26, 1974, SA [ ] contacted ELLIOT BREDHOFF, Attorney at Law, law offices of BREDHOFF, CUSHMAN, GOTTESMAN, and COHEN, 1000 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Mr. BREDHOFF advised that he handles legal matters for the United Steelworkers of America. He said he has had only casual contact with the nominee over the past few years. He considers him to be an upstanding, honest, and a nobly motivated man with an excellent reputation. The nominee has had wide experience in Federal and State Government matters. Nothing has come to his attention that would reflect unfavorably on his patriotism or personal habits. While Mr. BREDHOFF has had insufficient association with the nominee to make an in-depth appraisal of his traits and qualifications, he knows of no reason why the nominee should not be appointed Vice President of the United States.

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United Mine Workers of America (UMWA)  
International Union  
900 15th Street, N. W.,  
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The following UMWA officials were contacted by SA [redacted] on August 22, 1974, at Washington, D. C., and advised they are not personally acquainted with the nominee, NELSON ALDRICH ROCKEFELLER. They advised they have never heard anything which would detract in any way from his character, associates, reputation or loyalty and that they have no objection to his being confirmed as the Vice President of the United States:

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ARNOLD MILLER, President, UMWA  
MIKE TRBOVICH, Vice President, UMWA  
[redacted] Secretary-Treasurer, UMWA

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MISCELLANEOUS

On August 26, 1974, VICTOR LASKY, Author, was interviewed by Special Agents [ ] and [ ] [ ]. He advised that he knows NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER but is not an intimate friend. He has been in the nominee's house on occasion along with a group of others. Mr. LASKY has followed Governor ROCKEFELLER's career and describes himself as a political adversary of Governor ROCKEFELLER.

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Mr. LASKY, who has written many books of a political nature, advised he wrote the book "Arthur J. Goldberg; The Old and the New" when Governor ROCKEFELLER and former Supreme Court Justice ARTHUR J. GOLDBERG were running against each other in the 1970 New York Gubernatorial Election. Mr. LASKY stated he wrote the book at the suggestion of his attorney, JOHN WELLS, who was representing the organization, Literary Properties. WELLS is a member of former Secretary of State WILLIAM P. ROGERS' law firm in New York City. His reason for writing the book was to make money and with the campaign in progress, he felt it was a good time for the book to be written. Mr. LASKY advised the book was intended to "knock" GOLDBERG down politically, but that personally, he likes GOLDBERG. The book was based mostly on records and his personal research.

It was a legitimate enterprise, straight politics, and there was no connection with any political organization with regard to the writing or funding of this book.

Mr. LASKY knows nothing derogatory about Governor ROCKEFELLER. He last saw him at the Republican Convention in 1972. Mr. LASKY considers Governor ROCKEFELLER to be responsible, patriotic, competent, capable, loyal, and a good man of high integrity even though they have differed in the past in their political opinions. Mr. LASKY said that if he knew anything derogatory concerning Governor ROCKEFELLER, he would say so. He has no question about his character.

Mr. LASKY reiterated that to his knowledge, there is no connection between any political campaign and the book he wrote. Mr. WELLS would know more about the details of the publishing of the book.

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Mr. LASKY stated that the book did not sell and he feels that had former Justice GOLDBERG won the election, the book would have been more popular.

It is noted that on August 14, 1974 the Liberty Lobby placed a full page letter in the Washington Star-News which is enclosed as Exhibit A.

On August 27, 1974, SA [ ] interviewed (Colonel) CURTIS B. DALL, Chairman, Liberty Lobby, 300 Independence Avenue, S.E., regarding a newspaper article which appeared in the August 14, 1974, issue of the Washington Star-News which opposed the selection of NELSON ROCKEFELLER as Vice President of the United States. Colonel DALL, as Spokesman for the Liberty Lobby, described his organization as being totally "pro-American". It is intended for the preservation of the "people's country" and is intended to preserve the United States as governed for, by and with the citizens of this country. DALL indicated that it would be a "national catastrophe" if the nominee were approved as Vice President of the United States. Because of ROCKEFELLER's vast dealings in international trade, particularly as related to the monopoly which he and CYRUS EATON, SR., have established in relation to trade with the Soviets and the Communist world, the Liberty Lobby vehemently opposes his selection. It is felt that his motives and purposes as related to the United States cannot be trusted.

DALL pointed out that the efforts of ROCKEFELLER and EATON to spur trade with the Soviet Union, and the efforts of the International Basic Economy Corporation and Tower International, Incorporated, headed by ROCKEFELLER and EATON, respectively, are instruments of the nominee's intention to set up "an international one-world." Because ROCKEFELLER's vast uncalculated financial interests outside the United States are in apparent contradiction to the best interests of the American people, it is questioned how he could serve in the position of Vice President and possibly President of the United States without compromising the welfare and interests of the American people.

DALL also cited the Eaton-Rockefeller union as acting for the Amtorg Trading Corporation as its official agent in the United States. DALL provided the April, 1968, copy of "Liberty Lowdown" which quoted Former Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) J. EDGAR HOOVER, who warned of Soviet efforts in utilizing Amtorg to further its espionage activities within the United States.

DALL also warned of ROCKEFELLER's association with HENRY KISSINGER and provided the September, 1974, issue of "Liberty Letter," which warned that President FORD's foreign policy, with the selection of the nominee to serve as Vice President would become that of ROCKEFELLER. As mentioned previously, Liberty Lobby maintains total mistrust of ROCKEFELLER's motives and interests in the economic sphere.

DALL indicated that a review of ROCKEFELLER's stewardship as Governor of New York State was contained in an edition of "Barron's Weekly" published earlier this year which revealed that over the period of 15 years which the nominee served as Governor of New York, taxes there rose approximately 500%. DALL advised he shudders at the prospects of ROCKEFELLER's pursuits in this area should he ever become President of the United States.

Liberty Lobby demands that the nominee give the American people a full and complete disclosure of all his business and financial affairs and allow the American people to determine where his loyalties and motives lie. Liberty Lobby and DALL, as its Chairman, vehemently oppose the selection of the nominee on political and economic grounds. He sees ROCKEFELLER as being almost exclusively ambitious for power and the ROCKEFELLER family as possessing almost unlimited influence in the areas of foreign trade and control of the media network within the United States.

It is noted that Colonel DALL provided three (3) pieces of literature pertaining to the Liberty Lobby which are enclosed as Exhibit B, Exhibit C, and Exhibit D of this report.

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On August 28, 1974, [redacted], Captain, United States Navy (Retired) telephonically contacted the Washington Field Office (WFO), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and advised that he is a concerned citizen interested in seeing that a thorough investigation is conducted in connection with the nomination of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER as Vice President of the United States. Captain [redacted] felt that he could offer leads of possible value in connection with the FBI investigation of the nominee.

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Captain [redacted] was interviewed at his home, [redacted], Bethesda, Maryland, on August 28, 1974, by Special Agents (SA) JOHN MINNO and [redacted]. Captain [redacted] stated that he served thirty years active duty with the United States Navy and upon his retirement practiced law. He is presently retired from his law practice and is active in civic affairs. He is Vice Chairman of the Committee for Constitutional Integrity which Captain [redacted] described as a small local non-partisan organization interested in the preservation of the United States Constitution and the interpretation of its written word.

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Captain [redacted] advised that he had done extensive reading concerning the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), whose headquarters are located on Madison Avenue, New York City, New York, and other groups, including various private foundations within the United States, and their direct influence on world policy. He stated that the nominee is a member of the CFR and directly involved in private United States foundations. He stated that the CFR holds occasional meetings and only disclose the topics discussed and agreements reached as they see fit.

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Captain [redacted] also advised that each year an organization called the Bilderberg Group meets and discusses items of international interest and that these meetings are completely secret. The Bilderberg Group according to Captain [redacted], was formed in the Netherlands in 1957 and derived its name from the Bilderberg Hotel, where the first meeting was held. [redacted] brother to the nominee, is a regular member of this group and Captain [redacted] stated that the nominee attends, "if he can get away". In addition selected members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives are invited to attend. The entire Bilderberg meeting is held in secret and the news media is excluded, according

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to Captain [REDACTED]. He also explained that the Bilderberg Group is directly interlocked with the CFR and the various foundations in the United States.

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Captain [REDACTED] stated that he does not know the nominee personally nor has he ever met him. He is making no accusations regarding the nominee, and his information concerning him was derived from his readings and research. He feels that if his research is correct and the nominee is directly connected with the making of secret international policy through his membership in United States foundations, and associations with the CFR and the Bilderberg Group, then he should not be confirmed as Vice President of the United States. If in fact such involvement is unfounded, then full proof should be shown to the American people. Captain [REDACTED] feels that this proof could be offered by these organizations by lifting their "veil of secrecy" and making public disclosure of all subject matter discussed and agreements reached at each meeting.

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On August 27, 1974, Mr. [REDACTED], Plant Examiner, b6  
Engineering Department, Government of the District of Columbia, b7C  
advised SA [REDACTED] that the property known as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], corresponds to Lot Number [REDACTED], Square Number  
[REDACTED], according to the records of his office.

On August 27, 1974, Mr. [REDACTED], Office of Finance, b6  
Revenue, Assessment Department, Government of the District of b7C  
Columbia, advised SA [REDACTED] that Lot Number [REDACTED],  
Square Number [REDACTED], corresponds to the property located at [REDACTED]  
Foxhall Road, according to his records and that the owner of the  
property is listed as Mr. [REDACTED]  
Washington, D.C. (WDC).

On August 28, 1974, Mrs. [REDACTED], Office of Recorder b6  
of Deeds, Lots and Squares Section, Government of the District b7C  
of Columbia, advised SA [REDACTED] that according to  
records of her office, Lot Number [REDACTED], Square Number [REDACTED],  
corresponds to the property located at [REDACTED] and the  
owner is listed as Mr. [REDACTED],  
WDC. She further advised that in order to ascertain if there were  
any covenants attached to the deed, it would be necessary to go to  
the Liber Room and advise them that the above named property  
has Liber Number [REDACTED] and Folio Number [REDACTED].

On August 28, 1974, SC [REDACTED] made a review of b6  
Liber Number [REDACTED], Folio Number [REDACTED], which is the deed for the b7C  
property which is located at [REDACTED], at the  
Liber Room, Bureau of Licenses and Deeds, and she determined that  
there is no record of the property being encumbered with any  
covenants pertaining to race, color, creed or religion.

On August 28, 1974, Mrs. [REDACTED], Office of Recorder b6  
of Deeds, General Documents Section, advised that there is no b7C  
record of any tax liens by the Government of the District of  
Columbia against the nominee or Mr. [REDACTED].

On August 28, 1974, SC [REDACTED] caused a search to be b6  
made of the records at the Civil Dockets Section, U.S. District b7C  
Court, WDC and was advised that no record of Federal tax liens  
could be located regarding NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER or [REDACTED]  
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A check of the Washington, D.C. area telephone directory failed to reflect a listing for [REDACTED].

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Investigation at [REDACTED] Washington, D.C. determined that this address is a large office building. There was no listing for a [REDACTED] in the directory located in the lobby of this building.

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On August 28, 1974, SC [ ] reviewed the main card index, at the Library of Congress, which revealed that the following books were written by the nominee:

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"The Future of Federalism"  
Cambridge, Harvard University Press, 1962

"Medical Care For The Aged"  
Social Security and Freedom of Choice  
An address delivered to the state-wide  
conference, New York City, May 1, 1962,  
Albany, State of New York Office Aging, 1962

"Public Papers of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER"  
53rd Governor of State of New York, 1959

"Unity, Freedom and Peace";  
a blueprint for tomorrow, by  
NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, New York Random House,  
1968

"ROCKEFELLER Report On Latin America"  
The ROCKEFELLER report on the Americas;  
the official report of a United States  
Presidential mission for the Western Hemisphere,  
by NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, with an introduction  
by TAD SZULC, New York Times ed. Chicago Quadrangle  
Books, 1969

"Our Environment Can Be Saved"  
Garden City, N.Y.  
1st ed. Doubleday, 1970

On August 28, 1974, SC [ ] caused a search to be made of the Book Review Digest regarding the above named books and the following references were reflected:

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"ROCKEFELLER, NELSON A. The future of  
federalism. 83P \$2.75 Harvard univ. press.  
321 Federal Government. International  
organization 62-17224

"In refuting a 1939 article by Harold Laski entitled The Obsolescence of Federalism, "Nelson Rockefeller, Governor of New York, here presents a strong case for the usefulness. (and) the necessity, of federalism in the modern world. Declaring that the Federal idea fosters diversity within unity, encourages creativity, is pluralistic in intention and balanced in practice. Mr. Rockefeller begins by giving examples of the ways in which federalism functions in American society today. Then, pointing out that federalism has aroused fear and hostility since the debate over the Constitution after the American Revolution, he describes the future promise of the notion for our society in the fields of social progress, economic growth, and political stability. Finally, again calling on historical precedent, Mr. Rockefeller suggests that the concept of federalism can achieve its most important success if it is applied boldly to the development of the nations of the free world....This book is based on the Godkin Lectures delivered by Mr. Rockefeller at Harvard in February 1962." (Publisher's note)

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"By turns realistic and hopeful, informative and urgent, these lectures form a book that is, foremost, a profound expression of concern for the future of free men. Often vigorous, sometimes eloquent. 'The Future of Federalism' is a brief but persuasive work clearly in the best tradition of American political writing. Walter Bilitz

+Chicago Sunday Tribune p2 Je 24 '62  
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Foreign Affairs 41:223 O '62 30w  
Reviewed by D. O. Kelley  
+Library J 87:2905 S 1 '62 140w

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"Every paragraph of the Governor's lectures refutes Laski's dire prediction and the cumulative effect is simply devastating...There are no snap judgments and not a single cliché can be found. W. E. Binkley

+N Y Her Trib Books p7 J1 8 '62 410w

Reviewed by Lindsay Rogers

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"ROCKEFELLER, NELSON A. The Rockefeller report on the Americas; the official report of a United States presidential mission for the Western Hemisphere; with an introd, by Tad Szulc of the New York Times. (New York Times ed) 144 p 11 maps \$5.95; pa \$1.95 Quadrangle bks.

327.73 U.S.-Foreign relations-Latin America. Latin America-Foreign relations  
-U.S. Latin America - Social conditions  
LC 78-108447

"The report stated that 'the dangerously worsening economic, social and political situation in the Americas, including the recurring violence directed against the United States must be countered by massive shifts in public policy, including major trade and tariff concessions to the hemisphere, a reorganization of the policy-making apparatus in Washington, and military aid to combat subversion.'"  
(Publisher's note)

"A policy statement that resulted from a strife-producing tour by Governor Rockefeller and a full complement of advisors to Latin America during 1968. Its recommendations formed the basis for an assessment by the Nixon Administration of its policy toward Latin America. The report is basically a list of recommendations, and its discussion of problems is too brief to be informative...An important

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document for those interested in analyzing  
U.S. policy toward Latin America."

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"It must be asked whether (some of these proposals are) fair to the American taxpayer... A particularly controversial aspect of Governor Rockefeller's plan for greater pragmatism is his recommendation that the United States be permitted to sell modern aircraft, ships, and other major military equipment to Latin American armies without the aid-cut penalties currently imposed.... This question assumes an added dimension in the light of a new, highly distressing dilemma now facing the United States, one that is perceptively stressed in Tad Szulc's excellent introduction to this New York Times edition of the report... Can the United States pin her ultimate hopes for resistance against communism on military establishments that thrive on anti-Americanism?.... (Some of) the recommendations of the Rockefeller Report... are wise, but some... have been spawned from superficial and dangerously outdated logic."  
Dan Kurzman

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ROCKEFELLER, NELSON A. Our environment can  
be saved. 176p \$5.95; pa \$2.50 Doubleday  
614 Public health--New York (State).  
Environment  
LC 73-126385

The factors--"economic, political, social--in dealing with air, water, and noise pollution; power needs; land use; solid waste disposal, and the availability and appreciation of culture are (considered) in this report by the governor of (the State of) New York... included is an Earth Day-type checklist of what the individual citizen can do, as well as lists of federal and state organizations and leading private organizations in the environmental field."  
(Library J) Annotated bibliography.

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"Addressed to the average voter in New York (this book) has fulfilled its primary purpose of helping re-elect the Governor to a fourth term. Any book intended to influence a single election is inherently limited in its usefulness. Future undergraduates may use it as a historical record, but it is hardly a proper introduction to the problems of our plundered environment. The Governor acknowledges the help of no fewer than 63 individuals and institutions, leading one to wonder how much was actually written by the Governor...Even though the record in New York is better than in most states, other recently published works...dispute anyone who paints a picture as rosy as does Rockefeller. (His) political tract thus becomes more important for what it does not say than for what it does."

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"At times the series of examples of what has been done, what needs to be done, and what will be done, take on the characteristics of a campaign polemic--i.e. progress is being made and N.R. has made significant contributions. On the other hand, there also emerges a realism (economic growth and environmental quality) based upon experience...Of special interest to New Yorkers. Recommended for large general collections and subject collections." H. O. Marcy

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On August 28, 1974, SA [REDACTED] reviewed the following books at the Library of Congress with regard to their subject matter:

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"Medical Care For The Aged"  
Social Security and Freedom of Choice  
An Address delivered to the state-wide  
conference New York City, May 1, 1962,  
Albany, State of New York Office of  
Aging, 1962.

A=10 page address in which Mr. ROCKEFELLER calls New York State the pioneering leader in the critical field of caring for the aged. He calls New York State a model for other States to follow and outlines the progress that has been made in this field during his Administration. Mr. ROCKEFELLER states that after seeing the results of various studies he concludes that the Federal Government must head a national program for the aged in order to get meaningful results rather than letting a private insurance company handle the problem. He stated that he recommended such a plan at the Governor's Conference in Montana in 1960 and suggested that such a plan be financed under the Social Security Administration.

Mr. ROCKEFELLER goes on to outline the three basis flaws in the King-Anderson bill which was proposed by the Kennedy Administration and gives the reasons why his proposal is a better one.

"Public Papers of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER"  
53rd Governor of State of New York  
1959 through 1963.

A collection of numerous volumes containing all the public papers of Governor ROCKEFELLER during his tenure in office. Each volume corresponds to each year that ROCKEFELLER served as Governor.

"Unity, Freedom and Peace";  
a Blueprint for Tomorrow, by



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NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER, New York  
Random House, 1968

A book which approaches the following problems that exist in the United States and offers Mr. ROCKEFELLER's aims at solving them: Peace with Honor in Viet Nam; security for friendly nations in Asia; the survival of Israel and a stop of Soviet expansion in the Middle East; unity in the West; new lives for the hungry in Asia, Africa and South America; civil rights and human rights at home as well as abroad; destruction of the slums and creation of new jobs; an end to the riots-and the down fall of those who preach violence; the fight against crime-and the rehabilitation of offenders to useful lives; the right of men and women everywhere to decent medical care; better education for the young; fulfillment for women in more meaningful roles; awareness of the arts; protection of our natural resources, clean air and pure water; a new concept of leisure; a rising tide of prosperity; a rising belief that peace is relevant not in soft meaningless generalities but in hard specifics of shared interest; arms control; a true sense of neighborliness and dignity among men and continents of all colors; and equality of all men under God.

The following article captioned "Rockefeller Must Make Full Disclosure" appeared in the Washington Star-News, Washington, D. C., on August 14, 1974.

EXHIBIT "A"

Dear Mr. President:

How can you even consider nominating Nelson Rockefeller as your Vice President?

Last Friday, after you took the Oath of Office, you said: "I expect to follow my instincts of openness and candor..." The Country breathed easier when you said that. Nothing is more sorely needed in American politics today than openness and candor.

And yet for weeks rumors and predictions have been rife in Washington and elsewhere that after Nixon was removed or resigned from office you would choose Nelson Rockefeller as your V. P.

We do not mean to imply that you have made any secret promises. But we are certain of this: if you truly



intend to "follow your instincts of openness and candor" in your Administration, you will begin by insisting that any man considered for the Vice Presidency give the American people **FULL DISCLOSURE** of his business and financial affairs!

We are certain you agree that the American people have had enough of deception, half-truths and lies from their leaders. Rockefeller is not sacrosanct and owes *full disclosure* to the people as much as any other politician.

The motivations of Nelson Rockefeller are, to put it charitably, extremely unclear. With his numerous international business interests, where does his loyalty lie? Why does he seem to be exempt from press criticism for possible conflict of interest?

The American people have a **RIGHT TO KNOW:**

1. **FULL DISCLOSURE** of his personal corporate holdings as well as

the holdings of the Chase Manhattan Bank, Standard Oil of New Jersey, the International Basic Economy Corp., the Rockefeller Foundation and more than 300 other corporations and foundations reputed to be owned or controlled by the Rockefellers;

2. FULL DISCLOSURE of any ownership and/or working control of the *New York Times*, Time, Inc., CBS, ABC and any other companies controlling the media which have a significant amount of control over them exercised by the Rockefellers or their agents;

3. FULL DISCLOSURE of the personal income of Nelson Rockefeller for the past 5 years and certified copies of his income tax returns. Is it true that on the average he pays less than 2% per year on his enormous income of millions whereas working men and women must pay an average of 25% of their nickles and dimes to the IRS?

4. FULL DISCLOSURE on the role of the Rockefeller oil empire in the huge rise of crude oil prices, and America's dependency on Saudi Arabian oil contrary to American interests;

5. FULL DISCLOSURE of any gold sales by the federal government or the Federal Reserve to Rockefeller interests in recent years.

Mr. President, we feel that Nelson Rockefeller could never be elected to the Vice Presidency because of widespread mistrust of his motives. To dispell this mistrust only *full disclosure* of his financial and business affairs will suffice. Do not begin your Administration by an act that will cast a pall of suspicion over everything you do in the future.

CURTIS B. DALL, Chairman

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# LIBERTY LOWDOWN

EXHIBIT B

A CONFIDENTIAL WASHINGTON REPORT SUPPLIED ONLY TO LIBERTY LOBBY PLEDGERS

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Number 62

## NELSON ROCKEFELLER: COMMUNIST AGENT

Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller wants to be President of the United States. Governor Rockefeller's socialistic views and left-wing approach to politics are well known. He has declared that racial rioting in the United States is "actually a sign of progress." He has demanded that the United States establish "intimate" relations with Red China. His book, The Future of Federalism, is a blueprint for world government.

Rockefeller's disloyalty to the Republican Party is equally well known. It will be recalled that, after his repudiation of Barry Goldwater in 1964, Richard Nixon referred to Rockefeller having gotten his "pound of flesh," and advised that there was no place for him in the leadership of the party. His personal life is such that the minister who married him to his second wife was officially censured by the Presbyterian Church.

More important, but hardly known at all to the American people, is Nelson Rockefeller's role as an agent for the Soviet Union. As unbelievable as this charge might seem, the facts document it beyond any doubt. In examining the fantastic record of Rockefeller's dealings with the Communists, it would be well to keep in mind the dictionary definition of "agent": "One who acts for or in the place of another by authority from him."

## ROCKY THE RED TRADER

On January 16, 1967, readers of the New York Times were shocked to see a front page headline reading "Eaton Joins Rockefeller to Spur Trade with Reds." The story began: "An alliance of family banking fortunes linking Wall Street and the Midwest is going to try to build economic bridges between the free world and Communist Europe. The International Basic Economy Corporation, controlled by the Rockefeller brothers, and Tower International, Inc., headed by Cyrus S. Eaton, Jr., Cleveland financier, plan to cooperate in promoting trade between the Iron Curtain countries, including the Soviet Union, and the United States, Canada, and Latin America. The International Basic Economy Corporation was organized in 1947 under the principal direction of Nelson A. Rockefeller, now New York Governor." (emphasis added).

The Times pointed out that: "The joint effort contemplated by I.B.E. and Tower is seen as combining the investment skills and resources of the Rockefellers and the special entree to Soviet bloc officialdom that Tower enjoys largely as a result of contacts cultivated over the last 15 years by Cyrus S. Eaton, Sr. The elder Eaton has been an outspoken advocate of closer ties between the U.S. and the Soviet Union. He has backed his convictions by visiting Russia and entertaining high Soviet leaders including former Premier Khrushchev."

Cyrus Eaton, Sr., Nelson Rockefeller's pace-setter in blood trade with the Communist enemy, is notorious for his long and close friendships with Soviet leaders. He is the only private American citizen known ever to entertain top Soviet officials. In addition to having Khrushchev as a guest at his Ohio farm, Eaton found no difficulty in transferring his loyalty to Alexei Kosygin, the new Soviet Premier, whom he entertained at his Pugwash estate in New Brunswick, Canada.

As early as December 21, 1958, The Worker, official Communist publication in the United States identified Eaton as being responsible for arranging increased East-West trade. The Worker quoted with approval Eaton's suggestion that "the main responsibility" for forcing America's surrender to international Communism "lay with America's industrial giants. Were these business leaders to urge an accommodation with the Communist world, our Government would have but small choice to change its policy." If Nelson Rockefeller ever fulfills his consuming ambition to become President, Eaton will have free access to the White House at all times.

The sinister deal between Eaton and Rockefeller was described by Cyrus Eaton, Jr. as a "50-50 partnership." I.B.E. will be offered a 50 percent interest in any Red Trade deal Tower undertakes, including projects under way at the time the deal was made. Richard S. Aldrich, a vice-president and director of I.B.E., and a member of the Rockefeller family was quoted as saying that his organization's objective in entering Red Trade on a huge scale is "to improve the standard of living of the peoples of the world . . . An initiative that creates a commercial and industrial dialogue between the East and West cannot help but contribute to this end."

## ROCKY AND SOVIET ESPIONAGE

The Times story referred to above revealed that, in December 1966, Tower International had reached an agreement with "Licensintorg," the official Soviet licensing and patent organization, covering future licensing and patent transactions. The Eaton-Rockefeller



Combine was to take over the buying and selling of licenses and patents from the Amtorg Trading Corporation, innocently described by the Times as "the official Soviet agency in this country for promoting Soviet-American trade."

Cyrus Eaton, Jr. complained of the difficulty Amtorg's representatives in this country had encountered in trying to arrange agreements with American companies. "As you can imagine," Eaton said, "it is almost impossible for a Russian to walk into the research department of an American aerospace company and try to arrange the purchase of a patent." Eaton and Rockefeller are therefore generously relieving the Communists of this difficulty. Their Red Trade combine will act for Amtorg, by its authority, as its official agent in the United States. Recall the definition of "agent" given above. The Rockefellers and the Eatons will thus have monopoly control of American trade with the U.S.S.R., controlling both the American and Russian ends.

J. Edgar Hoover writes: "In 1924, Amtorg Trading Corporation (a Soviet government commercial agency) was established. This gave the Soviets their first 'legal' base for espionage operations. In this way persons and institutions in a country openly as representatives or agents of a foreign power have an ideal cover to fulfill their assignments of clandestine espionage." (Masters of Deceit, p. 274).

Again in 1959, in testimony before a subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee, Hoover warned of Soviet efforts to use Amtorg to obtain information from American businessmen "that would be of value to the Soviet bloc in their activities in opposition to this country." In answer to a question as to whether Amtorg still conducts and fits into the espionage picture, Mr. Hoover replied: "Amtorg fits into it 100 percent."

A hearing conducted by the House Committee on Un-American Activities (Patterns of Communist Espionage, House Document #119, 86th Congress, 1st Session, 1959) revealed that Vassili M. Zubilin, Amtorg representative in the United States in the 1930s, had engaged in spying and espionage work. He later played a key role in the theft of atomic secrets from the radiation laboratory at the University of California. Alexander Barmine, a Brigadier General in the Red Army and high Soviet intelligence agent before defecting to the United States, told the HCUA that "...persons in Amtorg were used by the intelligence department and they were having foreign trade representatives as cover for them."

Are the profits of Red Trade so important to Nelson Rockefeller that he is willing to betray the Nation of which he aims to become President?

#### PROFITS IN BLOOD

The Rockefeller-Eaton partnership is indeed highly profitable. Lucrative luxury hotel ventures are under way or contemplated throughout Eastern Europe, in Belgrade, Warsaw, Sofia, Prague, and Bucharest. Cyrus Eaton, Jr. boasts that he has had "firm inquiries" from five Eastern European countries, including the Soviet Union, for the construction of ten rubber goods plants. "These people," says Eaton, "are setting up new automobile plants and know they have got to have tire factories." Equally shocking is the construction of a \$50 million aluminum plant in Yugoslavia. And the Red Traders greedily eye further profits. After pointing out that, by the end of 1966, Tower had \$7 million dollars worth of orders on its books from Hungarian industry, Eaton boasted that: "We think there is a potential trade volume with Hungary alone of \$50 million a year."

These huge potential profits, it should be remembered, are a virtual Eaton-Rockefeller monopoly. Any other American businessmen so unpatriotic as to want to profit from trade with the enemy will have to cut these two official Soviet agents in handsomely. And it has been disclosed that the State Department is cooperating closely with Eaton and Rockefeller. An official of the Department's Office of East-West Trade has admitted, according to the Washington Observer (August 15, 1967), that all information relating to the business transactions of Rockefeller and Eaton with the Communists was strictly confidential, "because they must be protected from their competitors."

Another Rockefeller-Eaton operation, which apparently needs "protection" was revealed by a refugee from Communist Bulgaria. In that country, Tower and I.B.E. have contracted with the Communist government to sell chickens and mushrooms, raised by slave labor on collective farms, in the world market. They can undercut American prices, and have already taken the West German poultry market away from American exporters. In yet another outrage, Tower has been appointed official purchasing agent for the Hungarian government, and in the past two years has purchased vast quantities of American drugs, some of which have been transshipped to North Vietnam.

The Constitution of the United States (Article III, Section 3) defines treason as "levying war against the U.S. or...adhering to their enemies, giving them aid and comfort." Can it be denied that providing the Communist enemy with food and drugs, aluminum and rubber plants, and vitally important foreign exchange, falls within the definition of "aid and comfort" to the enemy? Nelson Rockefeller's Communist partners have been responsible for the deaths of 20,445 Americans killed in action in Vietnam, as of March 23, 1968. They have been responsible for 65,517 other casualties. Only the technicality of the lack of a formal declaration of war prevents Rockefeller's trading in the blood of dead Americans from being actionable as treason.

# NEWS

From

LIBERTY LOBBY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
BOOTH NUMBER 656

EXHIBIT C

LIBERTY LINE

August 21, 1974

Hello, from Washington. This is LIBERTY LINE, a service of LIBERTY LOBBY to help make your influence count. I am Curtis Dall, Chairman.

As a public service, LIBERTY LOBBY addressed an open letter to President Ford concerning the possible nomination of Nelson Rockefeller in a full-page ad, August 14th, in the Washington Star-News.

The response to that message was enormous!

We had hoped that President Ford would ponder long before reaching a decision concerning the Vice-Presidency. Regrettably, his choice bodes no good for the American people, the Republican Party, or Nelson Rockefeller himself -- as his views are widely distrusted!

LIBERTY LOBBY's open letter urged President Ford (if he nominated Rockefeller) to insist upon a full disclosure of his business and financial holdings, including his role in the Rockefeller oil empire which has almost doubled oil and gasoline prices recently, and a full disclosure of all factors bearing on his loyalty to this country in the face of his admitted foreign ideological leanings and his vast international holdings!

Informed sources maintain that Nelson Rockefeller is the "Father" of the sly 25th Amendment which enables him to be NOMINATED for the V.P. post without having to stand for defeat at the polls!

The American People have a right to know these facts before possible confirmation by Congress! Fortunately, every legislator must stand up and be counted! Election Day is not far away!

Furthermore, people know the danger from vast monies now, reportedly, scattered about on Capitol Hill and in our news media, to acquire that which is not possible by way of the ballot!

The Louisiana Purchase in 1803 brought great good to this country, but a "Presidential Purchase" in 1976 by Rockefeller will bring it great harm from a well-planned, thinly-veiled, financial Dictatorship! Tell this to your legislators!

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# EXHIBIT D BACK-TO-SCHOOL BUSING

## *Congress Reports "Toothless Tiger"; H.E.W. Orders More Busing; Citizens Demand Freedom of Choice*

The Supreme Court, Congress and the news media have succeeded in pulling the wool over the taxpayer's eyes again. The newspapers would have you believe that the Supreme Court has ended forced busing for racial integration. The Senate would have you believe that Congress has ended forced busing.



Actually nothing at all has ended.

Busing to force racial integration will not only continue this fall—but actually in some places will **INCREASE** by order of the ever-more-powerful Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Rep. Joe D. Waggoner, Jr. (D-La.) explained the Supreme Court action: "This Detroit decision means absolutely nothing . . . It simply means that the Court is not ready to order busing. It does absolutely nothing to prohibit busing."

But the House did pass a strong anti-busing bill that lost in the Senate by only one vote. Then the bill went to conference. Three times the House passed a motion instructing the Joint Conference to report only the House strong anti-busing language.

The conference reported the bill with the Senate language, rather than H.R. 69. Congressman Waggoner called the outcome a "toothless tiger." Rep. Earl F. Landgrebe (R-Ind.) declared the bill provides "one ounce of federal support, one pound of federal regulations and a ton of federal government and education bureaucracy."

And on the heels of all this, H.E.W. began ordering busing with the carrot of federal subsidy—and the stick—withdrawal of that necessary subsidy from districts not complying with H.E.W. directives.

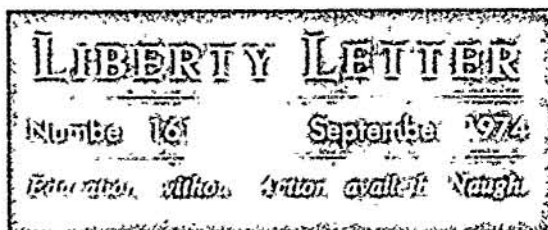
Why? Who wants busing? The Gallup poll reported that only 5% of the American people want busing. . . . The National Black Congress opposes it. . . . Every thinking American opposes it. With the threat of another energy-short winter ahead, no one can seriously support busing, which will waste more than 1,219,271 gallons of ever-more-costly gas this school year alone.

### **BUSING IS A BAD TRIP!**

## **WHAT YOU CAN DO:**

- Make busing a campaign issue for this election year. If your legislators will not support tough anti-busing legislation, elect new ones who will.
- Write your newspapers and call radio talk shows, stressing the importance of freedom of choice.
- Organize local committees for better education and no forced busing.

**REMEMBER—YOUR INFLUENCE COUNTS . . . USE IT!**





# FORE'S FOLLY

With rhetoric symbolic of the campaign trail, President Ford promised the American people a new era of honesty and fiscal sanity. He had most of us going with him until he selected Nelson Rockefeller as his V.P. The former New York Governor is himself part of the serious problem facing this Nation.

He has advocated, and continues to advocate, trade with the communists, even to the detriment of the U.S. He has refused to disclose his vast holdings so they might be measured in terms of American foreign policy and he is the original "patron" of Henry Kissinger. You can be sure Kissinger's, and thus Gerald Ford's, foreign policy will be Nelson Rockefeller's.

As we go to press it appears as if there may be time to fight Ford's folly. If he has not been confirmed by the time you get this, and if you value honest government, you will make your feelings known to Congress to reject Nelson Rockefeller.

## TRAGEDY OF NIXON

The great American tragedy of Richard Nixon is a needless tragedy that could have been avoided if people had not taken him at face value.

The truth is there has never been a "new Nixon" or an "old Nixon." It has been the same Nixon from the start. Since the day he started in politics as a student of Murray Chotiner he has been a student of the

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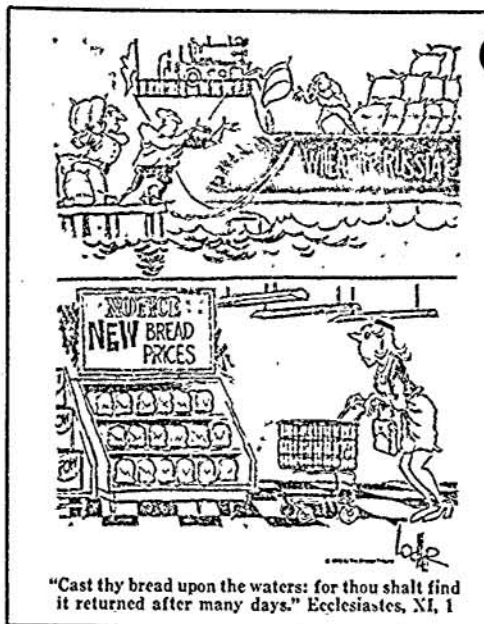
of politics—to try and be all things to all men. Knowing that people want an image rather than reality, he has been nothing but an actor. He was an actor before he went into politics and he remained an actor throughout.

People like to be fooled. They want a political fraud. The reality of Nixon was always there—it took little skill to see that as a practice he always did the opposite to what he said—but it was a lot easier to believe his honeyed words than to suffer the shock of the reality.

Thus, LIBERTY LOBBY has been bitterly criticized throughout the years because we always told the truth about Nixon. We never supported him, contrary to the Buckley-led "responsible conservatives" who are mainly responsible for foisting him off on the public. They would not have to change their positions so often on issues if they derived their stand from the facts rather than from political expediency. We urged Nixon to resign last January.

### THE MORAL IS CLEAR

—beware of political frauds. Look behind words, smiles and promises. Check the record, don't accept excuses. And be careful what "authorities" you accept.



"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it returned after many days." Ecclesiastes, XI, 1

## WHO WAS RIGHT?

On July 23 the news media was all aflutter about Cyprus. According to the so-called "free press," some nasty Greek generals had thrown out a nice man named Archbishop Makarios and since overthrowing pro-Communists is something that the Internationalist Establishment can't stand, something had to be done.

So in unison the "free press" brayed like a wounded jackass against the nationalist Greeks on Cyprus and in Athens. They had to go, it was unanimously agreed. But

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looked at it differently. In an emergency broadcast, carried on all of the Mutual stations (but not on the stations not connected with the Mutual wire) Bob Bartell pointed out some hard facts:

"The liberal media would have you believe Greece sponsored a takeover on Cyprus but the opposite is true. Greek Cypriots successfully revolted against Archbishop Makarios, a Marxist whose government was rapidly disintegrating. The bloodthirsty Turks have been eyeing Cyprus greedily for centuries and have now decided this is the time to capture the island. . . . The Bilderbergers think the time is ripe to sponsor a left-wing coup in Greece and the U.S. government has cut off all aid. . . .

Well, you've seen what has happened.

### WHO WAS RIGHT?

Was the Internationalist Establishment and their puppet press right about Cyprus? Or was LIBERTY LOBBY right?

We think that this vividly shows how important our radio show is. All too often, listening to the big networks will mislead and confuse you. Truth is a rare commodity, and many people have said that you'll hear more of it in five minutes of "This is LIBERTY LOBBY" than in the rest of the day.

## ENDLESS EMERGENCY?

Liberal Rep. Les Aspin (D-Wis.) deserves congratulations from all Americans for his alert objection to Armed Services bill H.R. 13320.

This bill calls for the extension of Presidential "emergency powers" under the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950. As Aspin asserts, "Under the terms of this bill the President can declare a Civil Defense Emergency whenever he says an attack against the U.S. is anticipated. Whenever the President declares such an emergency, he is empowered to impose total censorship on all media, control farms and food processing, regulate all traffic, including that on public roads, freeze wages and the movement of workers from one job to another, freeze bank accounts, close stock exchanges, draft engineers and scientists into government service, seize private property, suspend judicial review and spend public funds without Congressional authorization."

Aspin warns, "What makes this bill so dangerous is that it does not even discuss what qualifies a national emergency." We wonder whether Watergate has taught any other Congressmen the dangers of delegating unlimited power to the President.

We salute Congressman Aspin for spearheading possibly the most substantial Congressional discussion since 1950 of the validity of Executive Orders.

(For more on this subject, see LIBERTY LOBBY's pamphlet *Executive Orders—Blueprint for Dictatorship*, 10 copies for \$1.00; 100 for \$5.00.)

## Birthday Party Planned

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (LLNS)—A gala celebration of the 20th Anniversary of LIBERTY LOBBY is being planned.

The "birthday party" will be held in Los Angeles, Mar. 7-8, 1975, in conjunction with the Washington institution's Fourth National Board of Policy Convention.

A featured event will be a testimonial banquet for Col. Curtis B. Dall, Chairman of LIBERTY LOBBY.

LIBERTY LOBBY was founded in San Francisco in 1955. Following its Original Plan, it was soon set up in Washington as the original "people's lobby." True to its concept, it has remained totally independent of any "establishment" faction or interest, supported entirely by members and subscribers.

LIBERTY LOBBY's Official Policy—which is set by its 25,000-member Board of Policy—has not veered in 20 years. In fact, every day shows how far-seeing LIBERTY LOBBY's Policy has been. And every day, more and more Americans recognize this to be true.

Additional details concerning the event will be announced in the weeks to come.





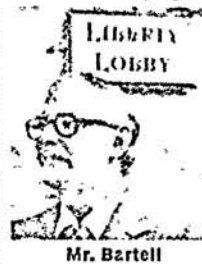
# LIBERTY LOBBY Testifies On Broadcast Licensing

WASHINGTON, July 23 (LLNS)—Robert M. Bartell, commentator on "This Is LIBERTY LOBBY," testified today on broadcast licensing before the Senate Communications Subcommittee.

He sharply criticized the "Fairness Doctrine" of the FCC, pointing out, "The Fairness Doctrine sounds fair. In practice, however, it means that every time America is praised over the air, equal time must be given to condemn it; every time crime is condemned over the air, equal time must be given to praise it; every time Christ is mentioned favorably over the air, equal time must be given to deny Him."

In response to questions, Bartell told the subcommittee, "What American would not be incensed if a newspaper were told by a government agency that its headlines were too big, or it carried too many commercials on the comic page? Free speech is like being pregnant—either you are or you aren't. When a broadcaster is afraid to allow an individual or an organization on his station for fear he will be required to give away expensive air time, he can hardly be faulted for protecting his livelihood. However, every time it happens, free speech dies a little."

Board of Policy members may have a free copy of Bartell's statement by sending a stamped, addressed No. 10 (4 1/8" x 9 1/2") envelope, marked FCC.



Mr. Bartell



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LAST MONTH Liberty Library offered to Liberty Letter subscribers the Basic Survival Pack containing survival food designed to feed a family of four for three months or one person for a year with nutritionally balanced food.

Now, here is a new product devised and manufactured by Robert B. DePugh, former head of the Minutemen, who served several years in jail for his extremism in the defense of liberty.

Everyone hopes it will never happen, but history shows that intense disasters befall nations who have allowed liberalism and internationalism to drain national unity. And when disaster strikes America—as it will—only those with foresight to prepare for it will survive.

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# Radio Victory

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (LLNS)—"Despite a multi-pronged attack launched around the Nation by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, our daily radio program, 'This Is LIBERTY LOBBY,' is now heard on more stations than ever before."

This report was issued by Col. Curtis B. Dall, Chairman of LIBERTY LOBBY's Board of Policy, in answer to numerous queries by concerned members. He added, "The ADL hoped to stifle our voice of freedom. That they could not intimidate radio station owners is a victory for free speech—and for LIBERTY LOBBY."



Col. Dall

"This Is LIBERTY LOBBY" began broadcasting in March, 1973, on 17 stations. The latest count is 187, with more being added weekly. Alaska and Hawaii are expected to begin carrying the program in the near future, giving the hard-hitting and controversial program exposure in 46 states.

Dall stated that the progress was due mainly to the energetic action of members of LIBERTY LOBBY whose support for the program at the local level has persuaded numerous stations to carry the program in spite of threats from anti-freeedom-of-speech organizations.

An up-to-date Radio Log showing all stations carrying "This is LIBERTY LOBBY" may be obtained upon request.

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# Letterettes...

The American Legion's dumbest stunt in a decade was its award last month of a Distinguished Service Medal to Henry Kissinger at its Miami Beach convention. Curiously this came at the same time that Rep. LaMar Baker (R-Tenn) and others have been privately interviewing Col. Michael Golinewski, KGB defector, regarding his sworn testimony that Kissinger was a Soviet secret agent.

In the last week of August LIBERTY LOBBY placed ads in all Maryland newspapers telling voters of the secret Bilderberg meeting attended in Megeve, France, by Sen. Charles McC. Mathias. Theme of the ad: Does Mathias feel that his oath of secrecy to the Bilderbergers overrides his oath of office? Mathias has refused to answer what he did in Megeve and who paid his way.

The current issue of Liberty Lowdown is the fifth and last in a series on the April Bilderberg meeting. A wealth of information is in these five issues.



## ANTI BUSING RALLY

An enthusiastic crowd of several hundred heard L. A. Hooser, LIBERTY LOBBY Legislative Aide, denounce forced busing in Louisville, Ky., on Aug. 5 as against the best interests of quality education.

Hooser outlined some of the evils accompanying forced busing: decline in attendance and educational achievements, increase in violence and imposition of new taxes to cover the higher costs of transportation.

Concerned Parents, Inc., the local sponsoring group, is actively promoting both the bus boycott and legislative action to combat forced busing. In addition, they plan to file a court suit on behalf of the Constitutional rights of those who would be hauled away from home, using the waiver approach which LIBERTY LOBBY has long advocated. Under this plan the parents sign a formal waiver of their "Constitutional rights" to have their children bused.

On the eve of a new school year, Hooser also outlined other significant developments:

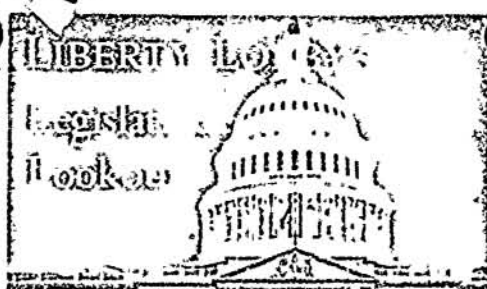
- In Brooklyn, N.Y., when the Canarsie School Board attempted to bring in black students from outside the community, 7,015 out of 8,736 students stayed away. A similar boycott about four months earlier kept an average of 9,000 out of school daily. Finally the Board relented and promised to phase out the busing program.

- In San Francisco, George Earl refused to have two of his children bused away from home. After several weeks of controversy, the Board agreed to allow them to attend the neighborhood school.

- NAACP has admitted it is not interested in better education for children, only in integration. It is pushing federal court orders for racial busing in Boston, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Denver and Louisville, among other large cities. The NAACP has just received large grants from the tax-exempt Rockefeller and Carnegie Foundations to promote more busing.



Mr. Hooser



**Land Use**—Although federal control of land has been defeated twice this year (see p. 1, *Liberty Letter* 159), those dedicated to this concept never give up. Rep. Morris Udall (D-Ariz.) and 11 others have introduced H.R. 16028, appropriating \$850 million to set up a new land use control bureaucracy. Urge your Representative to oppose this bill.

**Foreign Born President**—S.J. Res. 137, which would amend the Constitution to allow a foreign born person to be President of the U.S., has moved past hearings and could be slated for Committee action at any time. Unless you want Henry Kissinger to be President, be sure your Senators know you oppose this.

**Child Control**—Another child control bill has been introduced after President Nixon vetoed a similar measure in the last Congress. S. 3754 (Sen. Walter Mondale, D-Minn.) would give the federal government control of children and burden taxpayers an additional \$500 million in 1976 and \$1 billion in 1977 to set up this control program. Urge your legislators to defeat this socialism.

**Vitamins**—S. 2801 (Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis.) would restrict FDA from limiting potency, number, combination, amount or variety of any synthetic or natural vitamin, mineral or other nutritional substance or ingredient of any food for special dietary uses if the amount recommended to be consumed does not ordinarily render it injurious to health. Urge your Senators to support this measure.

**Nuclear Technology**—Under H.R. 15582 (Rep. Melvin Price, D-Ill.), Congress could concur in or disapprove international agreements for cooperation in nuclear technology. This may help to stop further giveaways against U.S. interests, and deserves your support.

## I.M.C. Sunk

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. (LLNS)—The IMC Mint Corp., one of the largest private silver mints in the U.S., has filed for bankruptcy, listing \$3 million in debts and less than \$100,000 in assets.

Informed sources said that the disaster was caused by speculation in silver futures by company officials, using customers' money. The mint had advertised widely in many "conservative" publications and thousands of would-be investors lost everything.

## Eagle Flying

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (LLNS)—A spokesman for LIBERTY LOBBY said today that the Silver Eagle medallion, developed last year as a hedge against inflation, is selling well. A large stock of Eagles are now on hand, ready for immediate delivery.

The spokesman pointed out that the unique redemption guarantee of the



Eagle insulates investors from losing more than a small amount at worst. And chances are that the next two years will see the price of silver soar well above present levels, which should provide investors in

the Silver Eagle with a handsome profit.

The Eagle now sells for \$8.80 each, plus 20¢ surcharge to Board of Policy Members for handling, insurance and delivery, or 70¢ to non-members. The redemption guarantee is \$6.50.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**EDITOR:** We are certainly getting much reaction from LIBERTY LOBBY. They talk about it for an hour following the show.

H. GEORGE CARROLL  
General Manager, KRDS  
Phoenix, Ariz.

**EDITOR:** CBS radio on its 3 p.m. CDT broadcast of June 12 played a tape of Sen. Henry Jackson's poor-loner comment on the defeat of the Land-Use bill. Jackson said all you have to do was to look at who was working against land use: "LIBERTY LOBBY, which is as far out on the right wing as you can get."

I cheered. In fact, I held the steering wheel with my knees while I clapped hands. Good for you.

JIM WARE  
Baton Rouge, La.

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SPECIAL INQUIRY

Synopsis:

Political leaders, labor leaders, numerous New York State Senators and Assemblymen, as well as public officials, representatives of the news media, and law enforcement officials, recommend NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER for confirmation as Vice President of the United States. Those who know the nominee well variously describe him as an enormously energetic public servant, perceptive, practical, extremely able, reliable administrator, of unquestioned integrity, dedicated, enthusiastic, knowledgeable, devoted, frank, open, "a splendid American citizen", and one who is sensitive to the needs of minority groups. PERRY DURYEA, Speaker, New York State Assembly, characterized the nominee as a person who had to have his own way, and did not hesitate to bring pressure to attain ends, had reputation in Albany of being "ladies man" and in regard to his, DURYEA's, indictment for allegedly contributing his campaign funds to the Liberal Party, stated issue had been previously decided, and stated ALFRED SCOTTI headed investigation and could supply any evidence of ROCKEFELLER's pressure if such exists. DURYEA would vote for confirmation, although there are others for whom he would cast a more enthusiastic vote. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] accused nominee of engineering indictment of [REDACTED] for alleged illegal action procedures, and could not recommend. SCOTTI's comments set out. HERBERT A. POSNER, New York State Assemblyman, advised he made public accusation on 8/13/69 to the New York State Commission of Investigation that nominee bought off vote of Assemblyman by appointing him to Civil Service Commission. Also, brought three law suits against nominee for "abuse of executive power." Details set out. POSNER would tell President FORD, "Make sure you keep NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER in his place." From political standpoint, POSNER considers nominee the best choice.

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[redacted] Special Assistant to Attorney General, advised one [redacted], under investigation for narcotics law violations, was a "honcho" in Italian-American Civil Rights, and had photograph taken with ROCKEFELLER. Difficulties encountered in ROCKEFELLER's office in obtaining this photo, and unknown attorneys surrounding ROCKEFELLER, tried to put pressure on them not to obtain photo. Stated photo was obtained, but not used, and was returned to ROCKEFELLER's office. HERBERT J. MILLER, Assemblyman, stated ROCKEFELLER participated in many "power plays" and "corrupted more people than all lobbyists together." However, he feels ROCKEFELLER is best qualified to be Vice President.

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DETAILS

I. IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF NOMINEE

On August 23, 1974, and August 26, 1974, Mr. [REDACTED], law firm of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley and McCloy, Midtown Office, 1 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, New York, made available the identities of NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER'S immediate family members, who are as follows:

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NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER  
Married MARY TODHUNTER CLARK  
June 23, 1930, divorced March  
16, 1962. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Mr. and Mrs. NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER  
812 Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York 10021

Children by NELSON A. and MARY TODHUNTER CLARK

[REDACTED]

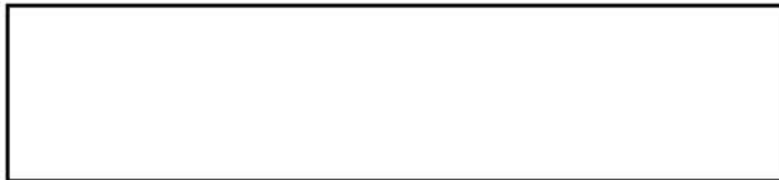
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MICHAEL CLARK ROCKEFELLER  
Born May 18, 1938, deceased  
November 19, 1961.

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Children by NELSON A. and MARGARETTA FITLER MURPHY



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Children of   
By a Previous Marriage

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The following information pertains to nominee's children and their current residences. Included are the grandchildren of the nominee and the dates of their birth:



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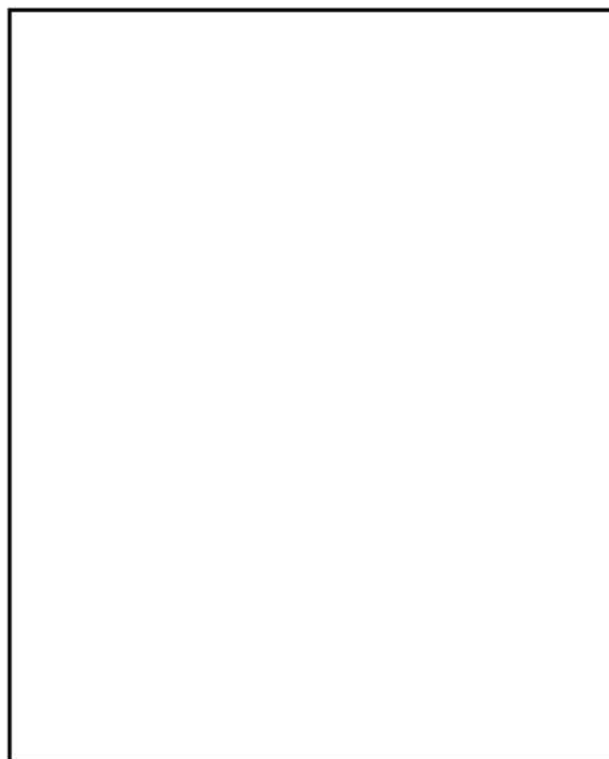


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The nominee's brothers and sister, who identities are set forth below, are as follows:



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II. INTERVIEWS OF POLITICAL LEADERS

The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent [redacted] on August 22, 1974:

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Mrs. [redacted], Banker, Committee for the Election of Wilson-Caso, Republican County Committee of Westchester County, [redacted], White Plains, New York, advised that she has known the nominee since 1958, mainly through her brother, MALCOLM WILSON, who is presently the Governor of the State of New York. She said that she has been able, through her brother, to see how the nominee operates and described the nominee as a sincerely dedicated individual who works long and hard for the good of the people. She further described him as a very civic minded and devoted individual who surrounded himself with people of high integrity. She added that she has never heard anything that would compromise his personal integrity and she never heard anything connected with a campaign of the nominee that had anything to do with "dirty tricks." She also stated that there is no question concerning the nominee's character, loyalty or reputation and she highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

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On August 22, 1974, MARIANN GRANOWITZ, Vice-Chairman of the Republican County Committee of Westchester County, White Plains, New York, advised that the current Chairman of the Committee, JAMES O'ROURKE, is presently on vacation and unavailable for comment. She said she personally has known the nominee since 1958, when he ran for Governor of New York State. She said she has always been impressed with the efficient way the nominee handles campaigns and she knows there has never been the slightest hint of any scandal connected with his campaigns. She said she only knows the nominee through the political process but she never heard anything that would compromise his personal character or reputation. She further described him as extremely loyal and highly recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

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On August 22, 1974, [REDACTED], Executive Assistant to the Co-Chairman, Democratic Party of Westchester County, [REDACTED], White Plains, New York, advised he is not personally acquainted with the nominee and the only comments he has are concerned with the nominee's reputation. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that nothing has ever come to his attention that would hint of any scandal, either politically or personally, concerning the nominee. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that within Democratic circles the nominee is highly respected for his personal integrity and fairness. He said although they have political differences with the nominee most Democrats that he has talked to believe he has been and is a good man. He stated that based on the reputation of the nominee he would recommend him for a position of trust and confidence.

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On August 22, 1974, MIRIAM JACKSON, First Co-Chairman of the Democratic Party of Westchester County, White Plains, New York, advised that the Chairman of their party in Westchester County is presently on vacation and unavailable for interview. She stated that his name is MAX BERGING. Mrs. JACKSON stated that she has a personal dislike for the nominee because of his adverse stand on humanitarian issues but this in no way reflects on his personal integrity. She stated further that everything she has heard about the nominee is of a positive nature in regard to his honesty and efficiency, but again she repeated that she personally thinks there is probably a better choice for a high government position that he aspires to. Mrs. JACKSON further stated that she has never heard anything derogatory concerning the nominee but she felt she could not make any sort of recommendation concerning the nominee.

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On August 23, 1974, EVERETT GREINER, Chairman of the Liberal Party in Orange County, was contacted at his office, located at 163 Liberty Street, Newburgh, New York.

He advised SA [ ] as follows:

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He has known the nominee for approximately four years. He has always found him to be an individual of integrity and honesty who possesses a fine reputation. He stated that he has no reason to question the appointee's loyalty to this country and recommends him for the position as Vice President of the United States.



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On August 26, 1974, Mr. VINCENT ALBANO, [redacted]  
[redacted], New York, New York, advised that he is Chair-  
man of the New York County Republican Committee and also  
Chairman of the Board of Directors of Century Bank. He  
said that he first met the nominee in approximately 1958,  
and has had continuous contact with him on a political  
basis since that time. He stated that he has found him  
to be an extremely honorable, trustworthy individual who  
is very competent. He described him as a compassionate  
human person who is sympathetic to minority groups and  
understanding of urban problems. He stated, however, at  
the same time he is extremely fair and always acts for the  
overall good of the entire populace. He said that he has  
been a dedicated public official in New York State, that his  
loyalty to the United States is beyond question, and that  
he could not suggest anyone who would be better fitted to  
be Vice President.

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On August 26, 1974, MELVIN KLEIN, [redacted]  
Avenue, Far Rockaway, New York, advised that he is Chairman  
of the Queens County Republican Committee, that he has held  
this position for the past two years, and that he has been  
active in politics for many years. He said that through  
this activity he has known the nominee very casually, but from  
his observations he has concluded that he is a very capable  
individual of great integrity and foresight. He said that  
he has no reason to question his loyalty to the United States  
and that he looks upon his nomination as Vice President as  
being very good for the country.

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On August 26, 1974, Mr. ROBERT WEAVER, Distinguished  
Professor of Urban Affairs, Hunter College, 68th Street and  
Park Avenue, New York, New York, advised Special Agent (SA)  
[redacted] that he was formerly Secretary of Housing and  
Urban Development in the United States Government and also

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held state and city positions involving public housing. He said that he never worked for the nominee but that he has known him on and off for approximately 20 years and their relationship has been primarily of a professional nature. He said that he has sat in on various conferences with the nominee and has found him to be a very competent person and a man of integrity who is entirely loyal to the United States. He said that he feels that his selection as Vice President is a very good one.

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On August 23, 1974, Doctor CARMINE FREDa, [redacted]  
[redacted], Grandview, New York, Chairman of the Rockland  
County Republican Committee, was interviewed by SA THOMAS A.  
CONLON of the Suffern Office of the Federal Bureau of  
Investigation (FBI). Doctor FREDa advised that he has known  
the nominee many years socially, personally and politically.  
He described the nominee as one of the finest people in  
political life today and that he personally feels that  
President FORD has made an excellent choice in appointing  
the nominee to the position of Vice President of the  
United States.

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Doctor FREDa said that the nominee is not only  
an excellent political organizer but has the unusual gift  
of looking forward to the future in his ideas and plans  
with regard to the welfare of the United States, to which  
the nominee is greatly devoted.

Doctor FREDa added that he has been associated  
with the nominee as a personal friend and acquaintance  
and said that he and his family enjoy excellent character,  
loyalty, reputation and associates. He further added that  
he believes the nominee has and always will have the primary  
interest of the United States in mind since he is a fine  
politician devoted to this country.

Doctor FREDa reiterated that he would, without  
question, endorse NELSON ROCKEFELLER for **appointment**  
as Vice President of the United States.

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On August 26, 1974, DONALD SMITH, Chairman, Putnam County Republican Party, Patterson, New York, advised he has known the nominee on a personal and professional basis for approximately 8 years. He stated in his contacts with ROCKEFELLER he always found him to be honest, candid, and straightforward. He has been impressed with the nominee's integrity and intelligence and he has never heard anything that would reflect unfavorably on ROCKEFELLER's moral character, reputation, or associations. He felt that the nominee would make an outstanding Vice President.

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On August 22, 1974, SAMMIS L. MIRBY, Rockland County Commissioner of Jurors, New City, New York, advised SA JOHN J. TUCKER, Jr. that he has known the nominee since the early 1950's. He stated that they have met on numerous occasions at various political gatherings and their relationship was confined to that level. He stated that he was thoroughly impressed with the nominee in every respect. He stated that the nominee has an exceptionally fine memory, is extremely intelligent, and a very capable administrator. He advised that he never heard anything derogatory concerning the nominee and he considers him to be a man of the highest moral character possessing a fine reputation as a loyal American citizen. He advised that he **believes** that President FORD had made an excellent selection in his choice of the nominee for Vice President of the United States.

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On August 26, 1974, LEONARD NOVAK, Chairman, Columbia County Democratic Party, Valatie, New York, advised SA LYNN E. MC CREDY that he has known the nominee for over 12 years on a personal and professional basis. He stated that his contacts with ROCKEFELLER have always been cordial and friendly and he has had a good opinion of the nominee's reputation, moral character, and dedication to public service. He said that he has had his disagreements with the nominee in certain political areas, but nevertheless feels his appointment as Vice President was in the best interests of the Government.

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WILLIAM DOULIN, [REDACTED]  
Newburgh, New York, was interviewed on August 23, 1974, by  
SA EDWARD J. DOHERTY. Mr. DOULIN advised that he is  
currently the Chairman of the Republican Party for Orange  
County, New York. He advised that he first met the nominee  
when he was running for political office in New York State.  
He stated that he has always found the nominee to be  
cordial, honest and undoubtedly loyal to the United States.  
He recommended him highly for the position involved.  
Mr. DOULIN added that he has also been acquainted socially  
with the nominee and his wife and has visited their estate  
in Westchester County, New York.

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On August 22, 1974, THOMAS GRIFFITH, [REDACTED], Goshen, New York, advised SA EDWARD J. DOHERTY that he is Chairman of the Orange County Conservative Party and first met the nominee in approximately 1958, when he, GRIFFITH, was associated with the Republican Party in Rockland County, New York. He stated that his contacts with ROCKEFELLER have been very superficial and he does not have any direct knowledge of him or his activities. He said that the nominee impresses him as a strong leader and a powerful individual politically, but that he does not like him personally because of the way he operates politically. By this he meant that ROCKEFELLER has to have his way and if people who work for him or with him oppose him, he gets someone else to handle the job. He said that he has no specific examples that he could cite and this is a judgment he has reached based on his general experience in politics and through the newspapers. He said that he knows of nothing that would reflect adversely on ROCKEFELLER's character, habits, associates or loyalty to the United States. He stated that he would prefer a nominee whose views are more conservative and therefore, more in keeping with his own, but that he would go along with ROCKEFELLER's nomination as an all around good choice.

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concerning him and that the American people are most fortunate to have him in the capacity of Vice-President. Also...

On August 21, 1947, Senator JOSEPH R. ROBERTS, Democrat-Liberal, advised SA SCHWARTZ that he has known the nominee since 1937, and that he feels he is an excellent candidate for the Republican. He advised he was an excellent Governor and a great humanitarian. He advised he knew nothing of a derogatory nature concerning him.

On August 21, 1947, Senator ABRAHAM RICHMOND, Democrat, advised SA SCHWARTZ he has known Mr. ROOSEVELT since 1931 and that he regarded him as a tough opponent but a man of great personal integrity. He stated he knew nothing concerning his personal or public life that might reasonably be a source of embarrassment to the office for which he is being considered.