

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Daniel P. Moynihan

FROM: John R. Price *JRP*

I held a meeting today with the following representatives of CUA departments:

Mr. Robert E. Patricelli, HEW
Mr. Don Paarlberg, Agriculture
Mr. Warren Hamilton, Commerce
Mr. David Taylor, Labor
Mr. Charles J. Orlebeke, HUD
Mr. David Miller, Justice
Mr. Richard Blumenthal, OEO
Mr. Joseph Bosco, Transportation

Several interesting suggestions resulted:

1) It was suggested that CUA subcommittees have been program oriented and that usually one or two departments have the primary interest. Other suggestions for more interdepartmental orientation would include

- a) common requirements on program evaluation
- b) common approaches to technical assistance programs
- c) changing the varied approaches to the state role in urban problems.

As to the latter, (c), are we trying to create budget bureaus for the governors, human resources departments for them, or planning staffs for them?

2) Agriculture says that they will be ready soon for a first reading of their information and research on internal migration.

3) What is our strategy for citizen participation across departmental lines? Have we a policy in our education programs or transportation programs, and generally, for consumer participation in government programs?

4) What is the CDA-CAP relation? Rumsfeld has his own review group working. Should this question be considered only in the context of Rumsfeld's total review of OEO, or is it separable?

5) Urban--The central fact is that the financing of urban capital projects ought to be looked at from other than the Treasury viewpoint. ACIR is also looking at this.

6) There was a very interesting discussion of whether and how the UAC should attempt to set priorities between different urban programs. It was suggested that the UAC might participate in Budget Bureau program reviews. As Orlebeke, of HUD, said, this is notably lacking in the Council so far--it ought to be part of the fiscal 1970 budget cycle. Bosco agreed but felt that it was very sensitive. It was also suggested that we bring in the military side of the equation and that our effort to do this might be a "pressure point welcomed by the President."

7) Secretary Romney would like to talk about the question of advanced funding for housing programs. A more general and more exciting idea was that we ask Bob Mayo to prepare for the Council an inventory of what programs are getting advanced commitment of general funds and why.

8) David Taylor, of Labor, said that they would like to look at the public jobs question, a program called Pace.

9) A very interesting suggestion was that the Council analyze the question of the near poor, carrying on the response to the Pete Hammill piece in NEW YORK MAGAZINE. We could

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look at the tax system, at the question of whether social security tax should be deducted from people before the poverty line, and so forth. This might be a fascinating paper for discussion prior to our meeting with Yorty.

(I did not mention we were to meet with him)

10) Checker Finn suggested the question of urban communication systems, including public television, public safety and law enforcement, community-owned cable television systems. HUD mentioned in connection with this its "Pulse" project for vehicle locators, whether police, fire, or taxis.

11) Orlebeke, of HUD, suggested that we have a general session of stock-taking on the role of the Council and its relationship to the Environmental Quality Council. This led to the suggestion that somehow we build a bridge between the Council and the Arthur Burns task force for the 1971 domestic program.

12) Walter Hamilton, of Commerce, suggested that at the end of the summer, we have an item combining a summary of the summer youth program, emphasizing what business and government can do in encouraging youth to return to school.

13) David Miller, of the Justice Department, suggested a session on the role of the police, which might include an analysis of the operation of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, and a look at questions of straight law enforcement and police as social agents.

14) I suggested a periodic reporting procedure on the programs generated by all UAC subcommittees, whether the subcommittee is officially out of business or not (i. e., the Subcommittee on Minority Business Enterprise). We would thus retain jurisdiction and assure proper follow-up.