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Gerry Thompson

SUBJECT:

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Sharon Page called to indicate that Nancy Ryles feels that you should proceed with appointing Betty Roberts for the following reasons: (1) She is the most qualified. (2) It coalesces the women's support. (3) She will be running a strong campaign and will be likely to win anyway.

Bill Rutherford called to report on a recent conversation with a Mr. Guillani who is number three in the U. S. Department of Justice. His indication was that the U. S. Attorney appointment is between Rutherford and Turner and political input at this time is very important. They are looking at Turner because of his prosecutorial background. However, the negative side of Turner is that he comes from within the department and Reagan administration's general philosophy is to make a clean sweep. Guillani was unaware of Turner's political registration as an Independent and a Democrat. Because Guillani indicated that political input was now the great emphasis, he is asking that the Governor make a couple of more telephone calls - one to the president and one to the vice president. However, he agreed he would leave this up to the Governor's judgment.

Checked with Darrell Ralls regarding the Ambassador Apartment deal. They have been negotiating with the son of the owner who was very receptive to the purchase option offer. As you will recall, we instructed Darrell to offer an initial \$50,000 and the son has indicated he will talk for no less than \$100,000. The son has also indicated that instead of the original 20-year lease no condemnation he would now consider 10-year lease no condemnation. Darrell wondering which way to pursue. I indicated he should continue to pursue the purchase option starting at \$50,000 and we would indicate to him whether you felt \$100,000 would be too high. I asked him to continue with the second 10-year no condemnation lease option as a hip-pocket offer in case we fail on the first. Please let me know your feelings on the \$50,000 option.

Donna Zajonc called because she has become aware of a non-profit group who would like to purchase channel 3 OEPBS. The group, name unknown, has been reported to be legitimate and solvent. Donna wondered if she should pursue the details. I asked her to do so and get back to us.