

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Secret Service Support

The Department of Defense provides considerable manpower, aircraft, and other support (without reimbursement) to the Secret Service. Since 1968, when the role of the Secret Service was expanded and the other Federal Departments were directed to assist the Secret Service, we have attempted to secure reimbursement for our support.

Two bills, HR 1244 and S 2166, have been proposed and, if enacted, would provide for reimbursement for our support to the Secret Service. HR 1244 passed the House on 5 May 1975 by a vote of 352-0. Senate hearings have been conducted by the Subcommittee on Oversight Procedures (Nunn), Committee on Government Operations, to consider S 2166.

When you reviewed the background on these legistative proposals, you expressed your agreement with the principle of reimbursement for DOD support (TAB A). The current legislative proposals bring us closer to resolving this issue than we have ever been in the past eight years. We believe it is desirable to reemphasize our support of this legislation in the hope that the Senate will act on it during this session of the Congress.

Recommend you sign the letters at TABs B and C to Senators Nunn and Ribicoff.

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