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(House Affairs)

Secretary of Defense Call List

HOUSE ARMED SERVICES

1. Mel Price (D-Ill) Chairman
2. Bob Wilson (R-Cal) Ranking Minority Member
3. Sam Stratton (D-NY)
Well informed leader on the Committee. We count on him to lead the debate on the House Floor.
4. Bob Leggett (D-Cal)
Gad-fly. Straddles fence between pro-DoD and anti-DoD faction on the Committee. Generally favors the latter.
5. Bill Dickinson (R-Ala)
Intelligent but lazy. We need more work from him.

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

1. George Mahon (D-Tex) Chairman.
Still powerful but hears the footsteps of the freshman liberals and the Democratic caucus and is thus not as helpful to DoD as in former times.
2. Jack Edwards (R-Ala)
Ranking Minority Member. Hard working and intelligent. He is "sadder but wiser girl" after 1975 Appropriations cycle. We shall support him better this year.
3. Bob Sikes (D-Fla)
Still powerful on bread and butter Defense issues.
4. Joe Addabbo (D-NY)
He and Giaimo most influential DoD budget cutters on Committee. He must receive your personal attention.
5. Bob Giaimo (D-Conn) Becoming "Mr. Defense" in Democratic party mainstream. Chairman Defense Task Force of the Budget Committee. He must also have your personal attention.



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BUDGET COMMITTEE

1. Brock Adams (D-Wash) Chairman.

Told Freshmen on 1/16/76 that all of next year's budget cuts cannot come out of Defense. Carries tremendous burden for Democratic legislative program in 1976. Must receive your personal attention.

2. Del Latta (R-Ohio)

Efforts should be directed at making him leader of the pro-DoD bloc on Budget Committee. Should receive your personal attention.

3. Phil Landrum (D-Ga)

Lame Duck but still highly influential. We need his support on the Defense Task Force.

4. Omar Burleson (D-Tx)

Good'ol boy. We need his vote on the Defense Task Force.

5. Garner Shriver (R-Kan)

Key Republican on Defense Task Force. Very busy. Requires yours and Ellsworth's personal attention.

We suggest you feel out each of the above on the climate toward Defense in 1976. A question eliciting the Member's awareness of the important March 15th date for Standing Committee recommendations to the Budget Committee would also be appropriate.

Attached for your reference is biographical material on the Members.

