

THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

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SUBJECT: Meeting with Senators Sanford and Jeffords

On Tuesday, June 9, 1992 Boyden and I met with Senators Sanford and Jeffords, at their request, to discuss the Senate "October Surprise" investigation. The meeting lasted approximately one half hour. Senator Sanford took the lead, saying he wanted to discuss three issues:

1. **The Senate request for Secret Service documents.** Sen. Sanford read from a document request sent by the Subcommittee to the Secret Service asking for unredacted Secret Service documents. This triggered the discussion concerning whether the investigators needed to see the names and addresses of private individuals whom the VP visited on a particular occasion. Senators Sanford and Jeffords reiterated that they knew the VP was not in Paris in October 1980, that they were not interested in the names and addresses of private individuals whom the VP may have visited on a particular day. The gist of what the Senators said was that they needed enough information to establish conclusively that the VP did not leave the country in October 1980.

2. **The Senate request for DOJ documents.** Sen. Sanford asked for our assistance in getting DOJ to respond to their document request. No further details.

3. **GOP thrashing Jeffords.** The Senators urged that we seek to stop the GOP from criticizing Sen. Jeffords' handling of the minority interests in the investigation. They said that they were irritated by the continued GOP bashing and that it wasn't doing any good. Sen Jeffords said he would continue the investigation solo if Jeffords is removed from the Subcommittee.