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Caroline B. Kennedy

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*Answered*

Dear President and Mrs. Reagan,

Your presence and your words were a very special gift that you gave us on Monday evening. It means so much to us that our father's memory lives on and I will always treasure the joyful picture you painted of him. With all my thanks,

Sincerely,  
Caroline

S. I hope you had fun too.

Historical File

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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March 12, 1985

TO: DONALD REGAN  
MIKE DEEVER

FROM: MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *mf*

SUBJECT: Presidential Meeting with  
Caroline and John Kennedy, Jr.

The purpose of yesterday's meeting between the children of the late President and President Reagan was to invite the President to attend a fundraiser for the Kennedy Library endowment. The President indicated some interest in the request and said he'd take a look at his schedule.

Caroline and John, Jr. propose holding the fundraiser at their uncle's (Ted Kennedy) home in McLean, Virginia, and raised the dates of June 10, 11 and 24. The President told them to keep in touch with me, and we'd see what could be worked out. It was my feeling that the President would like to do this.

cc: M. B. Oglesby, Jr.  
Fred Fielding  
✓ Fred Ryan  
Pam Turner

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH CAROLINE KENNEDY AND JOHN F. KENNEDY, JR.

DATE: Monday, March 11, 1985

LOCATION: Oval Office

TIME: 4:30 p.m. (15 minutes)

FROM: Max L. Friedersdorf *MLF*  
M. B. Oglesby, Jr. *MO*

I. Purpose

To comply with the request of Senator Edward (Ted) Kennedy (D-MA) that you meet privately with the two children of the late President John F. Kennedy, Caroline and John, Jr.

II. Background

Senator Kennedy spoke to the Vice President about his desire that his niece and nephew be allowed to meet privately with you to discuss the John F. Kennedy Library.

Although the Senator elaborated no further, be advised that last June Caroline Kennedy was named to the library board of directors as the museum and exhibits chairperson. She is in charge of an effort to raise an \$8 million endowment to update the library's exhibits. The library is operated by the Federal Government, under the auspices of the National Archives. While Federal funds pay for library operations and salaries, there is no endowment. The goal announced last June is to raise \$8 million over 5 years. At the time of the announcement the library had \$2.4 million already in hand and hoped to raise an additional \$2.6 million by the end of this year. If the Kennedy children are here to ask for your assistance in this fundraising effort, you should make no commitment, but tell them you will seriously consider their request.

III. Participants

The President  
Caroline Kennedy  
John F. Kennedy, Jr.  
Max Friedersdorf

IV. Press Plan

White House photographer only.

V. Sequence of Events

Caroline and John, Jr. arrive thru the west basement and are escorted to the Oval Office. The President greets his guests and they are seated in front of the fireplace for an informal discussion.

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Attachment A: Talking Points

Attachment A

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS FOR THE MEETING  
WITH CAROLINE KENNEDY AND JOHN KENNEDY, JR.

- Caroline, John, how very good to see you.
  
- Your uncle, Ted, told me you wanted to meet with me privately to talk about your Father and the Presidential library.
  
- As you know, I am an admirer of the late President, and am pleased for this opportunity to talk with you.

(Open discussion.) (If any assistance is requested on the fundraising effort for the endowment, you should give no commitment, but indicate you will give the request every consideration.)

- Thank you for coming to Washington to see me. I remember fondly my meeting with your grandmother in November of 1981.

Caroline B. Kennedy

March 10, 1985

Dear Mr. President,

We asked to meet with you to discuss something of great importance to our entire family, but particularly to the two of us: the John F. Kennedy Library.

This Library is the nation's memorial to our father, but to us it has a more personal meaning. It is the place where the records of his Presidency are kept, but it also contains many of his personal possessions, and some of our own from that time we shared with him.

If he were alive, he could make sure that the Library was the kind of place he wanted it to be, as other Presidents do. But that responsibility is now ours, and we would like to ask your help .

Until last year, the Kennedy Library was the only Presidential Library without an endowment. Recently, we have formed the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and have undertaken an endowment drive to support educational programs and innovative museum exhibits at the Library. We are planning a fundraising dinner at Senator Kennedy's house in June and would deeply appreciate it if you and Mrs. Reagan could attend.

We understand also that the National Archives is to become an independant agency on April 1, 1985, and that you will soon appoint a new Archivist of the United States. We look forward to meeting with this Archivist, and feel if we could impose on one of your staff members to set up an appointment for us, it would be extremely helpful.

Finally, it would make an enormous difference if there was someone on your staff whom we might keep informed as things progress, or turn to for some advice down the road.

We would like to thank you for being so generous with your time. Please accept our invitation to visit the Kennedy Library sometime soon; we would love to show you around, and we hope to meet one day at the Reagan Library.

Sincerely,

  
Caroline B. Kennedy

  
John F. Kennedy, Jr.

Historical File

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 16, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: JAMES ROSEBUSH  
FROM: FREDERICK J. RYAN, JR. *FJR*  
SUBJECT: JFK Library Fundraising Reception

As you know, Caroline and John Kennedy recently met with the President to ask for his support of their efforts to raise funds for the JFK Library endowment.

Although the Library is completed, it is the only Presidential library that does not have an endowment to assure its continued presentation of programs. Most recent Presidents have been able to personally participate in the fundraising for their libraries, but, in this case, the responsibility has been assumed by JFK's children.

In order to raise funds for the endowment, Caroline Kennedy has organized a reception at Ted Kennedy's residence on June 24. In addition to Caroline and John Kennedy, Jr., Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis will be hosting the event. The cost of attending is \$25,000 per couple with a maximum of 50 couples.

The President and Mrs. Reagan have agreed to attend this event and the President expressed his willingness to assist in the fundraising for the event.

Since the event is being sponsored by JFK's family, we have little control over the attendees. However, Caroline Kennedy has suggested several names of potential invitees that she would appreciate White House encouragement to.

Before I make any contact with these suggested invitees, I thought Mrs. Reagan may like to have a look at the list.

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The Kennedy Family  
requests the honor of your presence  
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The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation  
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Monday, the twenty fourth of June  
Nineteen hundred and eighty-five  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Dear Caroline and John:

I'm delighted to be able to join you at the reception to benefit the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation at Senator Kennedy's home on Monday, June 24.

The Kennedy Library is the only Presidential Library with no endowment, and I am eager to help contribute to this living legacy to your father and to the Presidency itself.

I know this reception is a critical part of your efforts, and I stand ready to help in any way I can. I look forward to being with you on the 24th.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronald Reagan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Ronald Reagan".

Caroline and John Kennedy, Jr.

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