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MEMORANUDM TO: General Brent Scowcroft

FROM: Jack Calkins 

The attached memorandum from RNC Chairman Mary Louise Smith is self-explanatory. We would value your comments on her proposal that Bernard Shanley be named by the President as his personal representative to the Vatican on September 14 when Mother Seaton will be canonized. ✓

We would be further interested to know how this would tie in with or conflict with Cabot Lodge's assignment.

Many thanks!



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Mary Louise Smith
Chairman

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MEMORANDUM

To: Bob Hartmann
From: Mary Louise Smith *MLB*

Bern Shanley, National Committeeman for New Jersey, called about a matter of importance for those of the Catholic faith.

1975 is Holy Year. On September 14 Mother Seaton will become the first American born Saint. Bern strongly urges that President Ford send some one to the Vatican on that date as a personal representative. He has written to the President about this.

Bern suggests it would have added importance and significance if it were someone other than an individual already there.

Bern Shanley is a great-great grand nephew of Mother Seaton. It would be a great honor and well-deserved recognition for Bern if he could be named for this mission. I strongly recommend it.

