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## MEMORANDUM FOR HENRY KISSINGER

FROM: Al Haig 

SUBJECT: Party in Honor of Larry Lynn, 5:00 p.m., August 17

As you know, there will be a cocktail party in the VIP Mess at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 17, to honor Larry Lynn. The guest list includes those persons who Larry's staff feels have worked most closely with him. A list of invitees, indicating those expected to attend, is at Tab A. Deputy Secretary Packard has accepted, Admiral Moorer may come, and Secretary Richardson hopes to drop down after his 5:00 p.m. meeting with the President.

During the party you will present a Special Certificate of Achievement to Larry on behalf of the President. It is possible that the President will want to give Larry this certificate during the 12:15 photo and handshake appointment. However, if he decides to do this it will still be appropriate for you to mention the certificate and read it to the assembled group. The Mike Wallace people presently plan to televise this part of the party. We also will arrange to have a photographer present.

Larry's staff has reluctantly decided that because of the mixed guest list and other factors they will be unable to present an appropriate skit. The party will end promptly at 6:00 p.m. so that the Mess can be set up for dinner.

Talking Points

In conducting the brief ceremony to honor Larry, I suggest that you follow the below-listed plan.

- After most guests have arrived, ask an assistant to have them gather around you, and have Larry come forward.

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-- You may want to make the following brief remarks:

- . Begin on humorous note. You might want to comment that it is seldom that the Government gets together on such short notice or that those in the bureaucracy are in such immediate agreement.
- . You know that everyone present agrees without question that Larry Lynn is an extraordinary individual who in his 19 months on the NSC staff has made a truly outstanding contribution to the national security.
- . Larry has worked on some of the most difficult and complex problems of this nation. Because of his analytical skill and professional zeal, we have learned how to better evaluate these complex issues and are closer to a solution of many of them.
- . In recognition of Larry's significant contribution, the President has asked you to present on his behalf a Certificate of Distinguished Achievement. You would like to read the certificate to the group. (A copy of the certificate is at Tab B. The signed certificate will be framed and available.)

-- Ask Elliot Richardson (if present), Deputy Secretary Packard, and Admiral Moorer (if present) in turn, if they would like to comment. (They have not been forewarned.)

-- Indicate that you know everyone present, especially the members of Larry's staff, share the sentiments that have been expressed in tribute to Larry.

-- Ask Larry if he would like to make a few remarks.

-- Conclude the ceremony by indicating that:

- . All of us who have worked with Larry will miss him personally and his professional shoes will be hard to fill. (You may at this point want to introduce Wayne Smith and indicate that he is the one you have assigned this heavy task.)
- . On behalf of all those present you wish Larry continued success as he pursues an academic career.

*will not  
be there*

Guest List for Farewell Party  
for Larry Lynn

Larry Lynn's Office

John Court  
Bob Sansom  
John Hamilton  
Robert Ryan  
\*Walt Slocombe  
Dennis Sachs  
Colonel Merritt  
Betsy Sherwood  
Nancy Bearg  
Lillie Hays  
Susan Pazina

HAK's Office

HAK  
Haig  
Young  
Lord  
Houdek  
Howe  
Muriel  
Laura  
Julie  
Dianne  
Nancy Meinking

NSC Staff

Jeanne Davis  
Hal Sonnenfeldt  
Bill Hyland  
Inette Lipkin  
Carole Farrar  
Donna Dimpsey  
Mike Guhin  
\*Wayne Smith  
Dick Kennedy  
Admiral Robinson

VIP's

\*Robert McNamara  
Elliot Richardson (will be late)  
Dave Packard  
Admiral Moorer

Other Guests

Bill Watts

STAT CIA  
Ron Spiers, State  
Dr. Ivan Selin, Systems Analysis, OSD  
Dr. Charles Rossotti, Systems Analysis, OSD  
Dr. Donald Rice, Systems Analysis, OSD  
Dr. Art Herrington, " " "  
Dr. Tom Whitehead  
Mr. Charles Cooke, State/HEW  
\*Bill Morrill, OMB/DPRC  
Lew Butler, HEW  
\*Frank Nicolai, friend (DOD days)  
Mrs. Lois Madden, ex-secretary  
STAT CIA  
Phil Odeen, Systems Analysis, OSD  
\*General Jacob Glick, VSSG  
Spurgeon Keeny, ACDA  
Commander James Martin, Systems Analysis

\* Unable to attend

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Awards This

CERTIFICATE OF DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT

to

LAURENCE E. LYNN, JR.

in recognition of his extraordinary contribution to this nation while serving as the Assistant for Programs to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs during the period from January 1969 to August 1970. His innovative and analytical capacity, professional devotion and inspiring leadership have led to significant improvements in the national security.

/s/ RICHARD NIXON

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