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May 7, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ANNE HIGGINS
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
DIRECTOR OF CORRESPONDENCE

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING *F³ | RAH*
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation for
Federal Protection Officer

You have asked if the President should send a letter of commendation to [REDACTED] who alerted the Secret Service to an individual representing a potential threat to the President. I recommend against such a letter, primarily because the request for it, from [REDACTED] notes that [REDACTED] has been faced with the prospect of being laid off for several years. There is the danger that [REDACTED] would use a letter from the President to try to save his job should that eventuality come to pass, or that, if the lay off is at all attributable to budget cuts, that the letter could be embarrassing to the President. I would have no objection to forwarding [REDACTED] request to the Secret Service for whatever consideration that agency would accord it.

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May 7, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS *JGR*

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation for
Federal Protection Officer

Anne Higgins has asked if the President should send a brief letter of commendation to [REDACTED] b6

[REDACTED] The request for such a letter came from [REDACTED]. According to a letter of appreciation from a GSA supervisor, [REDACTED], while on patrol, noticed and reported a suspicious individual lurking near the site of a scheduled Presidential visit. The Secret Service investigated and the individual was deemed to have been something of a threat. [REDACTED] notes that [REDACTED] has worked as an FPO for GSA for seven years, and has been told every year that he would probably be laid off. She thinks a letter from the President would encourage him.

I would not send a letter. If [REDACTED] is in fact faced with a possible lay off, there is the danger that he would try to use a letter from the President to save his job. If the reason for the lay off is even remotely linked to budget cuts, the embarrassment to the President could be significant. A letter from the Secret Service -- if they consider one appropriate -- is far less problematic. The attached reply to Higgins advises her to raise the matter with them. b6

Attachment