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January 6, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR:

H. R. HALDEMAN

FROM:

CHARLES COLSON *WC*

SUBJECT:

New England Poll Data

Attached is some current New England poll data. This was given to me by my pollster friend John Becker who took it from poll data done for Governor Peterson. Hence we obviously have to not circulate it. This is just for your information.

NIXON NEW ENGLAND POPULARITY

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
<u>New Hampshire</u>			
Early Nov 1971	55	31	14
April-May 1971 (primary cities only)	55	36	9
Early June 1970	73	24	3
<u>Vermont</u>			
December 1971			
October 1971	58	20	22
July 1970	78	16	6
June 1970	71	20	9
March 1970	69	19	12
<u>Connecticut</u>			
September 1971	65	25	10
April 1971	55	32	13
March 1971	58	33	9
October 1970	53	28	19
March 1970	65	33	2
August 1969	75	17	8
March 1969	68	12	20
<u>Rhode Island</u>			
November 1971	51	37	12
February 1971	46	42	12

NEW HAMPSHIRE POPULARITY (November 1971)

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
McIntyre	75	10	15
Wyman	67	9	24
Cleveland	61	9	30
Peterson	51	39	10
Powell	40	33	27
Thomson	35	32	34
Hill	18	4	78
Loeb	38	37	25

GUBERNATORIAL REPUBLICAN PRIMARY (November 1971)

Peterson	50%
Thomson	37%
Undecided	13%

Peterson	38%
Thomson	28%
Hill	18%
Undecided	16%

GENERAL ELECTION GOVERNOR (November 1971)

Peterson	42%
Crowley	39%
Undecided	19%

Peterson	38%
Crowley	28%
Thomson	18%
Undecided	16%

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January 31, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: CHARLES COLSON *WR*
SUBJECT: Vic Lasky Book

If the Lasky book is to go into print we are going to need a financial guarantee, see the attached. As I calculate it our maximum exposure would be \$50,000. In fact, of course, we could get tabbed for nothing close to that. We are probably talking about a maximum of \$25,000. Obviously the way in which the guarantee could best be effective is our agreement to purchase X number of books for political campaign purposes. I would think that a paperback commitment to be purchased for campaign purposes would cover all possible contingencies on the hardcover job.

I have not read the book so I can't recommend that we do this. Hallett is reading it right now; I have skimmed it. We will have our opinion for you by Wednesday. If the book looks like a worthy political tool, as I suspect strongly it will, then the issue is 'can we commit a potential campaign expenditure of \$50,000, realistically \$25,000, to the Lasky project?'

I would like to get this one out of the way in a hurry so that Lasky can write a brutal hatchet job on Ed Muskie, 'darling of the New Left', which we can have in paperback for use immediately after the Democratic convention if needed.

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January 28, 1972

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E.O. 11652, Section 6-102
By OP MMS, Date 2-8-82

MEMORANDUM TO: CHUCK COLSON

FROM: PAT BUCHANAN

Talked with Vic Lasky. Bantam books is doing his book; they will go in with 10,000 hard cover or thereabouts, and 50,000 paperbacks. Vic is dealing with Oscar Dystel up at Bantam. What is needed now is some guarantee, through Jack Drown, that Bantam will be able to sell the original shipment of books, or get an even break on their investment. Can we get someone with authority here to make the commitment to Drown, and have him contact Dystel, or his contact at Bantam, and commit to subsidize the original investment -- so that Bantam is not facing a possible large loss when they come out with the book. Vic is in New York. He says that is what is needed right now.

Also, Vic is going to need someone in the White House with authority to co-ordinate this thing. He asked if we can get in touch with Drown -- pronto, if possible.

Thanks.

Buchanan

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January 20, 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR: H. R. HALDEMAN
FROM: CHARLES COLSON *WC*
SUBJECT: Andre LeTendre's Operation

The LeTendre operation, which we have been operating out of Commerce, has in the last 4 or 5 months begun to really pick up steam. We have an excellent network, a good system for cultivating and for getting the word to people in key areas.

Like many other things around here, I have not burdened you with lengthy reports and memos. In this case, perhaps it was a mistake, as you will see from the attached. Stans and I worked this out thoroughly; we have no political risks of any kind because the operation has been set up right.

It had always been my thought that at the right time LeTendre with his network of people should move to the Committee. I personally believe it is premature and that it is too early to overtly politicize it.

I will, of course, get into this with the AG and Stans unless it has come up in discussions with you and there is something here I should know about. Please advise.

This will be about the 8th time that the AG has uncovered some quasi-political operation I have had going some where, mailings, brochures, spotmaster radio, etc. In each instance, almost as a reflex reaction, he orders them discontinued. Then I talk to him and explain it and he says, "what a bully idea; keep going!". I suspect that anything that has a Colson imprint draws a predictable reaction from the Attorney General

and then when I go and talk it over with him, thereby removing the personal element, everything is once again copacetic. Perhaps this is simply another one, but I felt I should check with you first on this one.

I had had the feeling from recent conversations and meetings with the AG that the situation had improved enormously but I have also been ever-mindful of your advice not to be taken in by what appears to be pleasantries on the surface.

He called me today & we went through the same drill - the Project is back on Track - this is getting a little routine - all's well that ends well!

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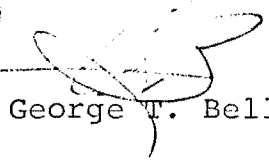
MEMORANDUM FOR: CHUCK COLSON

SUBJECT: Andre's operation

Just got a call from Don Murdock who sits over Jack Padrick who informs me that Andre's operation has come to the attention of the AG who called the Secretary for details. The Secretary was not fully informed, but apparently gave a reasonably accurate description. Nevertheless, Mitchell had said the operation should be dismantled in its entirety, or moved over to citizens in its entirety. Stans has issued instructions that this be done.

Moving Andre at this time presents no real problems, but it does seem somewhat early regarding the field men who really have not yet gotten around sufficiently to have a good backlog of contacts and experience.

You might want to talk to Stans and the AG and advise me. I have asked them to keep shuffling papers until tomorrow when I promised to get back.


George T. Bell