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Walter Reed Hospital
December 13, 1968

Dear Dick:

I think you have named a fine cabinet, one that ought to attain rather a very fine standing in public esteem. Herb Brownell has probably already told you that I had a question mark about one appointment, but after all, you are the one responsible and I have every intention of supporting you and him in every way.

Bill Rogers, who came to see me a day or so ago, said that you wanted to have each of your Cabinet members pay me a visit at the convenience of each. I can assure you I will be looking forward to such visits. I am quite anxious to meet the ones I do not know---like the Secretary of Treasure, the Secretary of Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Attorney General, and the Post Master General. Of course, I would like to have a long talk with Governor Finch. I remember meeting him on one occasion, I have not had a chance to have a real conversation with him. However, I assure you I'll be interested in meeting all the members of your cabinet. Another paper attached expresses some personal ideas. Please destroy it as soon as you have read it. I wanted to make sure you haven't overlooked certain possibilities about a new appointment you will soon have to make.

Of course, you know how disheartened I am to have to miss the wedding of Julie and David. Nevertheless, I am happy for both of them and think my grandson is one of the luckiest young fellows in the world to get such a girl.

Give my love to Pat and the girls, and of course, best wishes for your success.

Cordially,

JRZ Z.

P. S. This morning Mel Laird came to see me.
After talking to him I feel much better.

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MEMO of some personal views!

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Personally, I believe that a fine man for the Post of Chief Justice would be Herb Brownell. There's no use for me to extol his record or for me to bore you with my high opinion; you know him as well as I do. I realize that there may be reasons that, from your stand point, would make such an appointment unwise or undesirable. But assuming that there are no insurmountable objections, I give you the above suggestion as a very earnest one.

Before I knew that you had named Bill Rogers as your new Secretary of State, I had an alternative to suggest if for some reason you should not find it wise to make the Brownell appointment. This alternative was to move Potter Stewart up to Chief Justice, and then perhaps to appoint Bill on the court to the available vacancy. At any rate, if you don't desire, personally, to select Brownell, I think Potter Stewart would make a fine Chief Justice.

Again I would ask that you would destroy this memo after you have had a chance to read it.

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