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Mr. William E. Timmons  
Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

I enclose a clipping which has come to my attention which states that I am on the President's blacklist along with Senators Percy and Baker.

It also reports on a list of Presidential favorites and "lesser lights", the latter designation being accorded my good friends Mel Laird and Senators Goldwater and Scott.

If there is any authenticity to this report, I would certainly like to be transferred from the blacklist at least to the category of "a lesser light." I realize that it is probably too much to ask to be put in the inner circle along with Elliot Richardson and "Bill Ruckel Shaus."

Warm personal regards,

  
Gerald R. Ford, M. C.

GRF:rn  
Enclosure