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MEMORANDUM FOR: DAVID PARKER
FROM: WILLIAM E. TIMMONS
SUBJECT: Prison Trip

When Johnny Cash, Sen. Brock and I were with the President on July 26th, the President asked me to research and staff out the possibility of his touring a federal prison to focus public attention on the need for reform and rehabilitation. There was no indication of which prison or when, but I promised to check if any President has ever been to a prison and put the idea in the system.

Frankly, Dave, I do not like the idea, but the ball is in your court.

Good luck!