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Honorable John D. Ehrlichman  
Assistant to the President for  
Domestic Affairs  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear John:

Attached is a confidential letter which was sent to Deputy Assistant Secretary for Territorial Affairs, Stanley S. Carpenter. I have written the name of the job below in longhand so that no one, except you and Secretary Carpenter will know which one it is. John, may I point out that even though Dan spoke up for Nelson Rockefeller, he has been loyal to the Nixon Administration and, the next four years needs the strongest kind of possible leadership. The area in question is very troubled and, I think Dan could bring a sane, logical, hardworking approach to it that would pay great dividends. Every little segment of the Administration's activities over the next four years must lend a positive impact on the 1976 election, no matter what man turns out to be the candidate.

I will be in Seattle and Olympia this coming week and I am going to feel Dan out carefully on this matter.

I hope you do not feel that I am being presumptuous but, I do recall that when President Nixon was first elected he asked every Republican to send in the names of those people they thought might do a good job for the Administration. I am following those instructions and putting Dan's name in front of you.



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As I told Secretary Carpenter, Dan probably will win. In fact, he had better as I have some money bet on him. But if he, by some strange twist of the voters mind, does not, I cannot think of a better man to do the delicate job involved. I really am willing to go help him and, my more than three years down here has given me quite an insight into the kind of problems he would face.

I hope I have the opportunity to chat with you for a minute or two regarding this during the Inauguration.

Best regards and a Merry Christmas to you from both Jean and me.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN M. HAYDON  
Governor

Enclosure

High Commissioner  
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Confirmed by Senate