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July 12, 1977

Hugh Carter -

The attached was returned in
the President's outbox. It is
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Rick Hutcheson

Re: OPAL Drill

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July 11, 1977

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: HUGH CARTER *HC*
SUBJECT: OPAL Drill

The OPAL III Exercise with NEACP rendezvous conducted Saturday went well, and I thought you would be interested in the results. Pertinent times were:

0734	Drill initiated
0741:50	Helicopter landed on South Lawn
0749:43	Rendezvous with NEACP (NEACP's reaction time was not a part of this drill. It was prealerted and was waiting for us at the end of the runway.)
0753	NEACP airborne

Various communications tests were made during the trip to NEACP and aboard NEACP by the WHCA communicators who accompanied us. These included non-secure conference call tests, teletype tests, VHF radio tests and an Emergency Broadcast System test. Additionally, a drill was held deploying communications contingency teams to two hardened facilities.

Although the drills in total went quite well, we were able to find areas where improvement can be made and where changes need to be made to procedures. We will conduct more drills in the future to fine-tune our operation.

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