MÉMORANDUM

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

The term of Hugh F. Owens, Democrat, as a commissioner of the SEC expires on June 5. As we already have three Republicans on this five-man commission, we are prohibited by statute from appointing another Republican.

Owens is a protege of Carl Âlbert. Bill Timmons has discussed this with Albert who says he would consider it "a close personal favor" if Owens is reappointed. Chairman Hamer Budge would also like to have Owens reappointed as he has been most cooperative with the Chairman.

I recommend that Hugh Owens be reappointed to the SEC. This recommendation is supported by Mr. Harlow.

Peter

Approve _

Disapprove _____