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55	31		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Campaign	Other Document	Schedule proposal of meeting with Oral Roberts. 2pg.
55	31	10/19/1971	<input type="checkbox"/>	Campaign	Memo	From Dick Moore to David Parker RE: Oral Roberts. 1pg.
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55	31	10/5/1971	<input type="checkbox"/>	Campaign	Memo	From Alvin Snyder to Dick Howard RE: Oral Roberts' Meeting with the President. 1pg.
55	31	9/21/1971	<input type="checkbox"/>	Campaign	Memo	From David Parker to Charles Colson, Herb Klein, Dick Moore, John Scali, Bill Timmons RE: Oral Roberts' Meeting with the President. 1pg. 4 copies. All with handwritten notes.
55	31	9/16/1971	<input type="checkbox"/>	Campaign	Memo	From Gordon Strachan to Dwight Chapin RE: Oral Roberts' Meeting with the President. 1pg.
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**DOCUMENT WITHDRAWAL RECORD [NIXON PROJECT]**

DOCUMENT NUMBER	DOCUMENT TYPE	SUBJECT/TITLE OR CORRESPONDENTS	DATE	RESTRICTION
N-1 [67]	Schedule Proposal	Parker to HRH, re: Meeting with Oral Roberts	10/27/71	c(NIXON)
N-2 [67]	Memo	Moore to Parker, re: "Oral Roberts	10/19/71	c(NIXON)
N-3 [67]	Memo	Strachan to Parker, re: Status of Staffing report.	10/18/71	c(NIXON)
N-4 [67]	Memo	Dent to HRH, re: "Unquestionably, Paul Harvey's visit with. . .	9/15/71	c(NIXON)
N-5 [67]	Memo	Snyder. to Howard, re "Oral Roberts' Meeting with President	10/5/71	c(NIXON)
N-6 [67]	Memo	Parker to Colson, Klein et al. re Oral Roberts' Meeting with the President	9/21/71	c(NIXON)
N-7 [67]	Memo	Same AS N6	9/21/71	c(NIXON)
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N-9 [67]	Memo	SAME AS N6	9/21/71	c(NIXON)
N-10 [67]	Memo	STRACHAN to Chapin, re: "Oral Roberts' Meeting with the President	9/16/71	c(NIXON)
N-11 [67]	Memo	Dent to HRH, re "Unquestionably, Paul Harvey's visit. . ."	9/15/71	c(NIXON)

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Document

Disposition

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Return Private/Political

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

Date: October 27, 1971 (2:23 p.m.)

FROM: Day, N. Parker

*C.F. D.P.*  
*R.M.*  
*do this on Thurs*  
*or Fri if it is*  
*convenient*  
*for*  
*him*

MEETING:

Oral Roberts (similar drop-by as Paul Harvey Meeting)

DATE:

~~Tues 10/27 if you can~~  
~~do it that fast~~

PURPOSE:

He reaches thousands of people over the radio, a part of the media which we haven't used to the fullest extent. His audience is mainly in the South and Southwest; fundamentalists and Wallacites. Meeting would provide same ripples of support for President as came from Harvey meeting.

FORMAT:

-Oval Office  
-10 minutes

*otherwise*  
*after Calif*  
*or in Calif*  
*if he's out*  
*there.*  
*WH probly better.*

PRESS COVERAGE:

White House photographer only

STAFF:

Harry Dent

RECOMMEND:

Colson  
Dent  
Klein -- "He reaches a lot of people. I'd favor this without publicity."  
Timmons

AGAINST:

Moore -- "I realize that Mr. Roberts has an enthusiastic following, but I think that the President's strong friendship with Billy Graham fully covers this particular base without risk. To add Mr. Roberts might amount to overkill."

BACKGROUND:

Oral Roberts was a Pentecostal minister for many years but converted to the Methodist Church two years ago and is now considered much more moderate than in his early days though he still has a heavy conservative following. His radio and television programs reach 20 million in the South and Southwest.

PRESS FOLLOW-UP:

Roberts will air his support of the President  
on his programs.

APPROVE ✓ DISAPPROVE \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 19, 1971

1971 OCT 21 AM 10 01

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID PARKER

FROM DICK MOORE *DM*

SUBJECT: ORAL ROBERTS

I have the feeling that Mr. Roberts is considered marginal by a great many people who are suspicious of so-called faith healing. I realize that Mr. Roberts has an enthusiastic following, but I think that the President's strong friendship with Billy Graham fully covers this particular base without risk. To add Mr. Roberts might amount to overkill.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Date: 10-18-71

TO: DAVE PARKER  
FROM: 1971 OCT 18 PM 2033 ON STRACHAN

Per your request.

*N.G. What the status  
of the staffing  
on this?*

*Mr. Parker: N.G. 10/19*

*Staffing is attached.  
Dick Moore is the only  
one yet to respond.  
I checked with him on Oct. 15th.  
It's coming - wait for  
it.*

PRESERVATION COPY

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 15, 1971

TO: Bob Haldeman

FROM: Harry Dent 

Unquestionably, Paul Harvey's visit with the President was a plus in every way. I think it would be just as helpful for the President to see Oral Roberts on the same kind of drop-by basis.

Roberts, long a Pentecostal minister, who traveled much of the Nation with healing services, converted to the Methodist Church about two years ago. He is now viewed as much more moderate than in his early days, but retains heavy conservative following in much of the country.

This has been helped through his television program, which has been beamed throughout the country on its own network. It has a sophisticated mix of entertainment and religion, and has featured big name stars like Anita Bryant, Norma Zimmer and Dale Evans.

In addition, Roberts has established a university in Tulsa. Oriented to conservatism, it has enjoyed phenomenal success.

Roberts can be of great help in our effort to reach the conservatives, and I propose we have him in sometime soon.

follow-up sent Oct. 15

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 5, 1971

1971 OCT 6 PM 2 51

MEMORANDUM FOR: DICK HOWARD  
FROM: ALVIN SNYDER *AS*  
SUBJECT: Oral Roberts' Meeting  
with the President

I think a meeting with Oral Roberts would be an excellent idea. He has a huge following on radio where he does regularly scheduled sermons on network hookups. His following is at least as large as Paul Harvey's and although Mr. Roberts doesn't have the stature of a Billy Graham, he is extremely well known and I feel a session with the President would be a useful one. As we saw with Paul Harvey these things have a way of paying off.

I think the impact of radio cannot be overlooked in our overall plan to make maximum use of the media.

*Dave —*

*Mr Colon agrees with the above,*

*- Dick -*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1971  
5:33 p. m.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

✓ CHARLES COLSON  
HERB KLEIN  
DICK MOORE  
JOHN SCALI  
BILL TIMMONS

FROM:

DAVID PARKER

SUBJECT:

Oral Roberts' Meeting with the President

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Would you please advise and give your recommendations on such a meeting.

Thank you.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

1971 SEP 30 AM 9 22  
September 21, 1971  
5:33 p. m.

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1971 SEP 22 PM 4 14

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TO DAVID PARKER

Recommend a meeting! Roberts' fundamentalists and his radio program popular in many areas of South & Southwest. His audience is Wallace-type politically & we can use help. However, it would be good balance to work in a Jew and Roman Catholic at some convenient time also.

B.T.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

1971 SEP 22 PM 3 25 September 21, 1971  
5:33 p. m.

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Thank you.

*I'm neutral on this.  
(Scali)*

BB1

~~ALL~~ C.I.  
RM  
~~Staff idea~~  
to Colson  
Moore  
Klein  
Scali  
Timmons

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Administratively Confidential

September 16, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DWIGHT CHAPIN

FROM:

GORDON STRACHAN **G**

SUBJECT:

Oral Robert's Meeting  
with the President

As you can see from the attached memorandum from Dent, he believes that the President should meet with Oral Roberts. There may be a problem with this resulting from Alex Butterfield's activities in obtaining a minister for the recent church service. Presumably you will check Alex and have Dave Parker submit a schedule request.

MEMORANDUM

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