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TO PHIL BUCHEN:
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MEMORANDUM FOR: ~~WILLIAM E. TIMMONS~~

THROUGH: TOM C. KOROLOGOS ^{TK}

FROM: PAT O'DONNELL ^{POD}

SUBJECT: Status of FOI Amendments

Doug Marvin, Hruska's guy on the Judiciary Committee (vice Ken Lazarus) has been working with Tom Sussman, who represents the Kennedy forces, with a view towards reaching an amicable agreement on our proposed amendments prior to November 18.

If this does not work out, and obviously chances are slim, Hruska is prepared to move immediately along the legislative track. However, separate legislation will be required and this, of course, presents logistical difficulties in view of the shortness of time available. Further, I am advised that Kennedy is quietly plotting to force an early override vote and at the same time, helping inject the issue into a few selected and close congressional races, i. e., Cook, Dominick, etc., in order to get a commitment on record before the election.

What, if anything, do you think should be done by way of further Presidential participation?

