

REMARKS OF SENATOR BOB DOLE

FUNDRAISING DINNER
REGENCY-HYATT HOUSE
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE
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IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE HERE IN TENNESSEE -- THE STATE THAT STARTED A TREND BY ESTABLISHING THE NORM FOR REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP AND REPUBLICAN ASCENDENCY IN THE SOUTH. THE PEOPLE OF TENNESSEE -- AND ITS REPUBLICAN PARTY -- HAVE PROVEN THEMSELVES REAL PACE-SETTERS AND THE SOUTHERN STATES WILL BE FOLLOWING RIGHT AFTER YOU THIS NOVEMBER -- GOING SOLIDLY FOR THE PRESIDENT AND ELECTING REPUBLICANS TO STATE AND LOCAL OFFICES.

STATE PARTY STRONG

I ANTICIPATE A GOP VICTORY HERE IN TENNESSEE. YOUR REPUBLICAN PARTY HAS ALREADY PROVEN THAT IT CAN PROVIDE THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP THAT IS RIGHT, NOT JUST FOR THE PARTY, BUT FOR THE STATE.

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YOUR FINE REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR, WINFIELD DUNN, YOUR REPUBLICAN SENATORS, AND YOUR YOUR REPUBLICAN CONGRESSMEN ARE PROOF OF THAT. YOU CAN BUILD ON THAT HOUSE DELEGATION. YOU CAN TIP THE BALANCE THIS FALL. AND YOU CAN GIVE TENNESSEE A REPUBLICAN MAJORITY IN THE HOUSE.

YOU CAN DO THAT, EVEN AS YOU RE-ELECT HOWARD BAKER TO ANOTHER TERM IN THE SENATE. AND, AS THE SAYING GOES, IT IS IMPORTANT "NOW MORE THAN EVER" THAT YOU SUCCEED.

WE NEED **RICHARD** NIXON FOR A SECOND TERM AND HE NEEDS US TO WIN IT FOR HIM. BUT HE NEEDS MORE THAN THAT. HE NEEDS WHAT HE DIDN'T HAVE IN HIS FIRST TERM -- A SUPPORTIVE CONGRESS THAT WILL DO WHAT HOWARD BAKER AND BILL BROCK AND I **AND** THE OTHER REPUBLICANS IN THE CONGRESS HAVE TRIED TO DO FOR FOUR YEARS. THE PRESIDENT NEEDS A SUPPORTIVE CONGRESS THAT WON'T OBSTRUCT THE PROGRAMS HE PROPOSES. HE NEEDS A CONGRESS THAT WON'T SIT ON THE STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION TALKS AGREEMENTS, OR HOLD GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION PROGRAMS HOSTAGE TO THE PARTISAN CONSIDERATIONS OF AN OPPOSITION PARTY.

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EVEN WITH AN OPPOSITION CONGRESS, PRESIDENT NIXON HAS DONE AMAZINGLY WELL -- FAR BETTER, IN FACT, THAN EVER MOST REPUBLICANS WOULD HAVE GUESSED FOUR YEARS AGO. AND THE PRESIDENT IS THE FIRST TO ADMIT THAT IT'S MEN LIKE HOWARD BAKER WHO HAVE MADE HIS LEGISLATIVE SUCCESSES POSSIBLE. ONE OF THE BEST EXAMPLES CAME JUST THIS WEEK WHEN THE SENATE FINALLY PASSED A REVENUE SHARING BILL.

HOWARD BAKER INTRODUCED THAT BILL. THE PRESIDENT CALLED IT ONE OF HIS GREAT GOALS. STATE AND LOCAL LEADERS, GOVERNORS AND MAYORS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WELCOMED ITS INTRODUCTION. BY ALL OBJECTIVE ACCOUNTS, IT WAS ONE OF THOSE IDEAS WHOSE TIME HAD COME. BUT IT STILL TOOK AN OBSTRUCTIONIST CONGRESS CLOSE TO THREE YEARS TO RECOGNIZE THAT FACT. AND IT TOOK A LOT OF WORK FROM HOWARD BAKER TO GET THEM TO SEE IT. NOT SURPRISINGLY, THE BILL WAS PASSED IN THE ABSENCE OF GEORGE McGOVERN. HE CLAIMS TO BE FOR THE CONCEPT OF REVENUE SHARING BUT APPARENTLY NOT ENOUGH TO VOTE FOR IT.

WE HAVE LOOKED FORWARD TO A CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR ON THE ISSUES. IT'S NO SECRET THAT THERE ARE CLEAR DIFFERENCES ON EACH MAJOR ISSUE BETWEEN GEORGE McGOVERN AND PRESIDENT NIXON.

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I HAD HOPED -- AS WE ALL HAD -- THAT BOTH SIDES WOULD RUN A CAMPAIGN BASED ON THOSE DIFFERENCES SO THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE MIGHT CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THEIR CHOICE. THAT WOULD HAVE MADE OUR JOB EASIER TOO. WE WOULD ONLY HAVE HAD TO COMMUNICATE THE NIXON RECORD TO OUR FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES. NOW IT APPEARS, IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE HAVE TO DEFEND THE PRESIDENT AGAINST OUTRAGEOUS PERSONAL SLANDERS FROM THE OTHER SIDE, WHICH ARE CALCULATED NEITHER TO CLARIFY THE ISSUES NOR TO ENCOURAGE THEIR RATIONAL DISCUSSION.

McGOVERN SELL-OUT TACTICS BLUR ISSUES

IT COULD HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT. PERHAPS IT STILL CAN BE BECAUSE, AS THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF SAID A SHORT TIME AGO, THE 1972 PRESIDENTIAL RACE COULD PROVIDE THE MOST CLEAR-CUT CHOICE IN TERMS OF POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY, POLICY AND PROGRAMS THAT HAS BEEN OFFERED AMERICA IN THIS CENTURY. NOW, IT IS APPARENT THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE DENIED THIS CHOICE.

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IN NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, A LOSING CANDIDATE RESORTS TO DESPERATION TACTICS IN THE FINAL DAYS OF A CAMPAIGN. SENATOR MCGOVERN'S CAMPAIGN HAS ALREADY REACHED AN EMBARRASSINGLY HYSTERICAL PITCH, AND WE ARE STILL ONLY IN THE OPENING DAYS OF THE CAMPAIGN. THE MAN WHO WAS GOING TO RUN AN OPEN AND HONEST CAMPAIGN BASED ON THE ISSUES HAS DISCOVERED THAT HE HAS NO ISSUES, AND IS, INSTEAD, DRAGGING A LINE OF DEFICITS BEHIND HIM SUCH AS SOME POLITICIANS DON'T ACQUIRE IN A LIFE-TIME.

THERE WAS THE SELL-OUT OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA WOMEN AT THE FIRST DEMOCRAT NATIONAL CONVENTION.

THERE WAS THE SELL-OUT OF PIERRE SALINGER, AT THE DEMOCRAT NATIONAL ~~CONVENTION~~ ¹² WHO HAD BEEN PROMISED THE VICE-CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE PARTY.

THERE WAS THE SELL-OUT OF THOMAS EAGLETON, THE VICE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE OF THE FIRST DEMOCRAT NATIONAL CONVENTION.

THERE ARE CONTINUAL EFFORTS TO SELL OUT AMERICA ABROAD, AND THIS HAS BEEN THE MOST STRENUOUS EFFORT, CONDUCTED BY MANY OTHERS: RAMSEY CLARK, JANE FONDA, UNLUCKY PIERRE, WHOM MC GOVERN DISOWNED AFTER HE GOT CAUGHT MEDDLING IN THE PEACE TALKS IN MC GOVERN'S BEHALF, ABRAM CHAYES, THE POLITICAL CHAMELEON FROM HARVARD.

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AFTER THE SELL-OUT -- DESPERATION

NOW HE HAS BEGUN TO SELL OUT HIS NARROW RADICAL FRINGE OF SUPPORTERS BY TRYING TO CURRY FAVOR WITH THE SAME MEN HE WALKED OVER IN THE EFFORT TO CAPTURE THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.

HE IS, IN OTHER WORDS, TRYING TO REDEEM HIMSELF WITH THE GREAT POLITICAL PARTY HE SOLD OUT. SMALL WONDER HE HAS BECOME DESPERATE. SMALL WONDER THAT A SHRILL NOTE OF HYSTERIA CAN BE HEARD COMING FROM THE MC GOVERN CAMP.

THE LATEST SCREECH IS AIMED AT A PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE PARTY HE CLAIMS TO REPRESENT, WHO HAS ENDORSED PRESIDENT NIXON. FORMER SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, JOHN CONNALLY, A DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANT AND A LOYAL DEMOCRAT, HAS BEEN SINGLED OUT FOR THIS TREATMENT, GIVING THE IMPRESSION THAT CONNALLY IS SOMEHOW UNIQUE.

CAN'T BROADEN NARROW BASES

THE FACT IS, OF COURSE, THAT MC GOVERN HAS FAILED TO BROADEN HIS NARROW CONSTITUENCY -- AND IN THE EFFORT TO DO SO, HE HAS SUCCEEDED ONLY IN DIMINISHING THE SMALL GROUP OF HIS SUPPORTERS. JOHN CONNALLY IS ONLY ONE OF MILLIONS OF DEMOCRATS WHO FEEL THEIR PARTY HAS BEEN STOLEN FROM THEM, AND THAT THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE COUNTRY DEMAND THE RE-ELECTION OF PRESIDENT NIXON.

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THESE INCLUDE JOHN CONNALLY, CERTAINLY. THEY ALSO INCLUDE -- JUST STAYING WITH THE MORE PROMINENT DEMOCRATS -- JAMES ROOSEVELT; THE MAYORS OF PHILADELPHIA, MIAMI, NASHVILLE, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY; HOUSTON, SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA, AND THE WIFE OF THE MAYOR OF MILWAUKEE; THEY INCLUDE THE FORMER MAYOR OF BOSTON, JOHN COLLINS; THEY INCLUDE LEONARD MARKS THE DIRECTOR OF USIA IN THE JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION AND GEORGE CHRISTIAN, PRESS SECRETARY IN THE JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION. THEY INCLUDE THE 1968 CHAIRMAN OF VETERANS FOR HUMPHREY-MUSKIE; THEY INCLUDE THE PRESIDENTS OF IBM, CONTINENTAL AIRLINES AND NATIONAL GENERAL CORPORATION, ALL GOOD, LOYAL DEMOCRATS; THEY INCLUDE JUDGE MARIO PROCACCINO, A DEMOCRAT CANDIDATE IN THE LAST NEW YORK CITY MAYORAL RACE. IT INCLUDES LABOR LEADERS LIKE FRANK FITZSIMMONS AND KENNETH LYONS; IT INCLUDES BLACK LEADERS LIKE FLOYD McKISSICK. AND THE LIST GOES ON AND ON.

THESE ARE A FEW OF THE DEMOCRATS PUBLICLY SUPPORTING PRESIDENT NIXON, BEFORE YOU EVEN GET TO THE LIST OF DEMOCRATS WHO HAVE PUBLICLY TURNED AWAY FROM SENATOR MC GOVERN; DEMOCRATS LIKE PRESIDENT JOHNSON, OR PRESIDENT GEORGE MEANY OF THE AFL-CIO. AND, IF WE CAN BELIEVE APPEARANCES, EVEN SARGE SHRIVER IS PUTTING A LITTLE PRUDENT DISTANCE BETWEEN HIMSELF AND THE TOP OF THE TICKET.

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WIDE DEMOCRAT SUPPORT FOR NIXON

SO WHILE WE CERTAINLY WELCOME JOHN CONNALLY'S SUPPORT, WE DON'T THINK HE SHOULD BE SINGLED OUT AS BEING SOMEHOW EXTRAORDINARY IN HIS ROLE AS A NIXON DEMOCRAT. THERE ARE MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF THESE ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. SENATOR MC GOVERN HAS MADE THE MISTAKE OF FORGETTING THAT DEMOCRATS, LIKE REPUBLICANS, ARE AMERICANS FIRST -- AND WHEN THEY GO INTO THE VOTING BOOTH, THEY PUT AMERICA FIRST.

THAT IS WHY WE SEE SO MANY DEMOCRATS COMMITTED TO PRESIDENT NIXON THIS YEAR, AND WHY EVERY DAY, WITH EVERY PREPOSTEROUS PROPOSAL AND POSITION PUT FORTH BY MC GOVERN, WE SEE THOUSANDS MORE DEMOCRATS JOINING WITH US. MANY DEMOCRATS CARE ABOUT WHAT THEIR PARTY STANDS FOR -- A FREE, STRONG, PROSPEROUS AMERICA AT PEACE WITH HERSELF AT HOME, AND AT PEACE WITH HER NEIGHBORS IN THE WORLD. THE MAN WHO STANDS FOR THESE THINGS AND OFFERS THE GREATEST HOPE OF ACHIEVING THEM DOESN'T HAPPEN TO BE A DEMOCRAT, BUT HE IS WINNING THE SUPPORT OF MANY DEMOCRATS. WHILE THE FACT IS THAT THE MAN WHO CAPTURED THE DEMOCRAT NOMINATION DOESN'T HAPPEN TO BE TOO MUCH OF A DEMOCRAT EITHER AND HE IS LOSING HIS PARTY'S SUPPORT.

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MCGOVERN DESPERATION UNDERSTOOD

THEREFORE, THE LONG LIST OF PROMINENT NAMES REPRESENTS ONLY THE TINIEST TIP OF A DEMOCRAT ICEBERG THAT IS GOING TO SINK SENATOR MC GOVERN'S LITTLE ROWBOAT IN NOVEMBER. THIS IS NOT A CONSEQUENCE OF PARTY DISLOYALTY, BUT OF THE DEEPEST LOYALTY TO AMERICA.

SO I CAN UNDERSTAND WHY SENATOR MC GOVERN IS DESPERATE, AND WHY HIS CAMPAIGN HAS NEVER RISEN ABOVE THE CHICANERY, VICIOUSNESS AND DISHONESTY OUT OF WHICH IT WAS BORN. IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT THE CLEAR-CUT CHOICE WHICH EXISTS TODAY MAY NOT BE ARTICULATED AS IT SHOULD. ALL WE CAN EXPECT TO HEAR FROM MC GOVERN WILL BE PAINED SCREAMS OF SELF-RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION BECAUSE THE COUNTRY DOES NOT PERCEIVE HIM AND HIS SHRINKING LITTLE BAND OF POLITICAL ZEALOTS AS THEY PERCEIVE THEMSELVES.

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I HAVE NOT READ THE PAPERS TODAY, SO I AM NOT UP ON THE LATEST POSITION WHICH HIS SO-CALLED ADVISERS HAVE TOLD HIM HE HOLDS, SO I CAN'T ATTACK THE SENATOR'S POSITIONS. IT HAS SEEMED ALL THROUGH THIS CAMPAIGN THAT GEORGE MC GOVERN IS OPERATING ON THE PRINCIPLE THAT A MOVING TARGET IS HARDER TO HIT. CERTAINLY HE HAS BEEN MOVING BACK AND FORTH ON THE ISSUES -- PRACTICALLY ALL OF THEM -- AND, SO FAR, THAT IS THE ONLY MOVEMENT I HAVE SEEN IN HIS CAMPAIGN OF CONFUSION, REVERSAL, AND IRRESPONSIBILITY.

MC GOVERN SHOULD DEBATE SELF

AND THAT CAMPAIGN MAY WELL HAVE PEAKED OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS, WHEN THE NEWS MEDIA REPORTED AT LEAST THREE CONTRADICTORY POSITIONS ON THE QUESTION OF FARM PRICE PARITY.

ON ABC TELEVISION, IT WAS STATED THAT MC GOVERN IS NO LONGER PROPOSING 90 PERCENT OF FARM PRICE PARITY.

ASSOCIATED PRESS SAID MC GOVERN IS NOW CONSIDERING DIRECT PAYMENTS TO FARMERS INSTEAD OF PRICE SUPPORTS.

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL TOLD US THAT MC GOVERN "HASN'T SPELLED OUT HOW HE WOULD RAISE FARM PRICES."

IT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY APPARENT THAT WHAT GEORGE MC GOVERN SAYS OFTEN DEPENDS LESS ON WHAT HE BELIEVES THAN ON WHERE HE IS AND WHO HE IS TALKING TO.

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IN THE FARM STATES, HE TALKS ABOUT HIGH PARITY LEVELS FOR FARMERS AND SEEMS UNCONCERNED ABOUT THE PRICE OF FOOD FOR CONSUMERS. IN URBAN AREAS, HIS CONCERN REVERSES COMPLETELY.

BUT EVEN WHEN HE TALKS ABOUT HIGH FARM PARITIES, HE CONFUSES A LOT OF FARMERS. THE DEMOCRAT PLATFORM HE SAYS HE IS RUNNING ON, PROMISES A NEW FARM ACT "TO RAISE FAMILY FARM INCOME TO 100 PERCENT OF PARITY." BUT LAST MONTH AT THE ILLINOIS STATE FAIR, MC GOVERN PROMISED "TO RAISE FARM PARITY TO 90 PERCENT," AND ACKNOWLEDGED THAT, UNDER HIS PLAN, WE WOULD SEE "GRAIN PRICES GO UP, THEN BEEF PRICES WILL GO UP, TOO." BUT HE STILL HAS THE TEMERITY TO BLAME RICHARD NIXON FOR RAISING FOOD PRICES, WHILE ADMITTING THAT HIS POLICIES WOULD RAISE THEM STILL HIGHER.

SO WHERE DOES GEORGE MC GOVERN STAND ON FARM AND GROCERY PRICES? FARMER'S AND CONSUMERS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

INDEED ON ALL THE ISSUES, THERE IS A SIMILAR CONFUSION. AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT PERHAPS THE NETWORKS MIGHT GIVE MC GOVERN A LITTLE FREE TIME TO DEBATE HIMSELF ON THE ISSUES OF THE CAMPAIGN, AND TO REBUT THE EARLIER POSITIONS HE'S NOW ABANDONED.

SO FAR, ON ALMOST EVERY MAJOR ISSUE FROM TAX REFORM TO VIETNAM -- AND EVEN ON MOST OF THE MINOR ISSUES LIKE PIERRE SALINGER -- GEORGE MC GOVERN HAS TAKEN AT LEAST TWO POSITIONS AND IS STILL WRONG.

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\$1,000 OR A 1,000 % -- STILL WON'T ADD UP

IN JANUARY, MC GOVERN PROPOSED "THAT EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD RECEIVE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AN ANNUAL PAYMENT...OF ALMOST \$1,000 PER PERSON." IN JUNE, HE SAID "THE \$1,000 PER PERSON FIGURE.....MAY HAVE BEEN A MISTAKE." MORE RECENTLY STILL, WE WERE TOLD HE WOULD REVISE THE PLAN AND LAST WEEK HE PROPOSED A SUPPOSEDLY "NEW" PLAN GUARANTEEING A FAMILY OF FOUR \$4,000 A YEAR FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. MISTAKE OR NOT -- THAT IS STILL \$1,000 PER PERSON.

IN JANUARY, HE PROPOSED TWO OTHER TAX "REFORMS": FIRST, THAT "THE CORPORATE INCOME TAX BE RETURNED TO ITS 1960 LEVEL" OF 52 PERCENT; AND, SECOND, THAT ALL INHERITANCES ABOVE \$500,000 BE TAXED AT 100 PERCENT. BUT IN MAY, HE CHANGED THOSE POSITIONS, DENYING THAT HE HAD EVER TAKEN THEM. "I HAVE NOT SUGGESTED THAT THE PRESENT CORPORATE TAX RATE...BE INCREASED TO....52 PERCENT," SAID MC GOVERN, AND, "I DO NOT SUGGEST THAT A CEILING BE PLACED ON INHERITANCES AT \$500,000 OR ANY OTHER LEVEL."

WHEN IT WAS POLITICALLY ADVANTAGEOUS, HE ADVOCATED "THAT THE UNITED STATES ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE WITHDRAWING ALL AMERICAN FORCES FROM INDOCHINA."

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WHEN THE POLITICAL ADVANTAGE SUBSIDED, HE CHANGED HIS TUNE SAYING, "I WOULD RETAIN THE MILITARY CAPABILITY IN THE REGION.-- IN THAILAND AND ON THE SEAS."

IN A SPEECH BEFORE THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS ON AUGUST 23, GEORGE MC GOVERN THREW CREDIBILITY TO THE WINDS WHEN HE SAID "A GOOD DEMOCRAT DOESN'T RUN AWAY FROM HIS PARTY ANYMORE THAN A GOOD SOLDIER RUNS AWAY FROM HIS COUNTRY."

RISKING VOTES -- "TOO GREAT A RISK"

THIS UNBELIEVABLE STATEMENT FROM A CANDIDATE, WHO HAS MADE "GRANTING GENERAL AMNESTY" FOR DRAFT DODGERS AN IMPORTANT PART OF HIS CAMPAIGN PROGRAM, IS MADE ALL THE MORE OUTRAGEOUS WHEN WE REMEMBER THAT ONLY TWO MONTHS AGO, GEORGE MC GOVERN PROMISED TO "RUN AWAY FROM HIS PARTY" IF THINGS DIDN'T GO JUST HIS WAY. THE LOSS OF THE CALIFORNIA DELEGATION "WOULD BE SUCH AN INFURIATING, DISILLUSIONING EXPERIENCE..." HE SAID, THAT "I WOULD RUN AS AN INDEPENDENT OR SUPPORT SOMEONE ELSE ON AN INDEPENDENT TICKET."

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IT IS EVEN MORE INCREDIBLE COMING FROM A DEMOCRAT WHO BOLTED HIS PARTY IN 1948 TO SUPPORT HENRY WALLACE OVER HARRY TRUMAN.

AND JUST AS WE ALL REMEMBER THE DAY GEORGE MC GOVERN SAID "I AM 1000 PERCENT FOR TOM EAGLETON AND HAVE NO INTENTION OF DROPPING HIM FROM THE TICKET," WHO CAN FORGET WHAT HAPPENED ONLY SIX DAYS LATER WHEN MC GOVERN ANNOUNCED THAT "THE BEST COURSE IS FOR SENATOR EAGLETON TO STEP ASIDE."

IN NEWSWEEK MAGAZINE OF JULY 24, GEORGE MC GOVERN IS QUOTED AS PROMISING HIS "FULL AND UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT" FOR THE CHALLENGE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA DELEGATION AT HIS CONVENTION. BUT WHEN THE "FULL AND UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT" TURNED OUT TO INVOLVE POLITICAL RISKS -- WHEN STICKING TO HIS PRINCIPLE MIGHT HAVE COST MC GOVERN A FEW VOTES -- HE DECIDED THAT "WAS NOT A RISK WORTH TAKING."

AND THEN THERE WAS THE SALINGER AFFAIR WHICH PERHAPS BEST ILLUSTRATES GEORGE MC GOVERN'S UNIQUE APPROACH TO CREDIBILITY. ON AUGUST 16, WHEN ASKED TO COMMENT ON A REPORT THAT PIERRE SALINGER HAD GONE TO PARIS TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE NORTH VIETNAMESE AT MC GOVERN'S INSTRUCTIONS, THE SENATOR REPLIED THERE WAS "NO TRUTH" IN THE REPORT. HOWEVER, ONLY A FEW HOURS LATER MC GOVERN SAID "MR. SALINGER, AT MY REQUEST, MET WITH MEMBERS OF THE NORTH VIETNAMESE DELEGATION IN PARIS."

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WHEN HE WAS ASKED ABOUT THE GLARING DISCREPANCIES IN THE TWO REMARKS, MC GOVERN DENIED THAT THERE WAS ANY. HE MADE NO ATTEMPT TO EXPLAIN HIMSELF ANY FURTHER, SIMPLY ASSERTING THAT "THERE IS NO INCONSISTENCY."

CHOICE IS CLEAR

AND IT IS MC GOVERN'S INCONSISTENCIES THAT REALLY POINT UP THE MAJOR ISSUE IN THIS CAMPAIGN. THE CHOICE IS BETWEEN GEORGE MC GOVERN WHO WOULD GIVE US GOVERNMENT-BY-GUESS AND PROCESS-OF-ELIMINATION POLICIES JUST PUTTING FORTH ONE OUTRAGEOUS PROPOSAL AFTER ANOTHER TILL HE FOUND ONE HE LIKED.

IT IS A CHOICE BETWEEN THAT AND THE PROVEN PROGRESSIVE POLICIES OF RICHARD NIXON, WHO KNOWS WHAT OUR GOALS ARE AND WHO KNOWS HOW TO RESPONSIBLY PURSUE THEM. THAT IS WHAT HE HAS BEEN DOING FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS AND THAT IS WHAT HE WILL DO IN THE NEXT -- MOVE US ALL CLOSER TO WHAT WE ALL WANT -- A BETTER AMERICA AND A MORE PEACEFUL WORLD.

Salute to Baker.

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