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NATIONAL COORDINATOR'S WEEKLY REPORT

This is the last of the National Coordinator's Weekly Reports, initiated by John Feild and myself September 29. They were begun because we felt that members of the Steering Committee should be kept as currently advised as possible about action to implement the policies of the Steering Committee.

John Feild returned to his duties at the U. S. Conference of Mayors in January, but he has continued to provide invaluable assistance and consultation to the Coalition. I have remained at my post to help as much as I could in the transfer of responsibilities and duties to Chairman John Gardner.

Having been associated with and having worked for John Gardner over the past year and a half on special assignments at the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, it has been especially gratifying to continue that relationship; and, at his request, I will be available, at his call, to consult and assist on Coalition projects.

In the meantime, I shall devote my efforts to completing a book and pursuing my normal professional activities in the environmental management field.

However, I cannot relinquish my coordinator's title or cease the issuing of this report without a strong and warm thank you to the members of the Steering Committee and their representatives who have been so supportive and helpful during the past seven months. It has been a most gratifying experience working for the Steering Committee and particularly working for Andrew Heiskell. I look forward to a continuing involvement in the Coalition.

COALITION STAFF ADDITIONS

Chairman Gardner has announced that Lisle C. Carter, Jr., former Assistant Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, will be Deputy Director of the Urban Coalition.

Mr. Carter's resignation at HEW became effective March 23. He had been Assistant Secretary for Individual and Family Services. He also served as Director of the Center for Community Planning, where he helped implement the Model Cities Program.

Mr. Gardner also announced that Mrs. Sarah Collins Carey has been appointed a Staff Associate of the Coalition. Mrs. Carey, an attorney, served as Consultant to the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders during the preparation of its report. She has been associated with the Washington, D.C. law firm of Arnold and Porter since August, 1965.

Harold Levy and Robert Meier, assistants to Mr. Gardner at HEW, had previously joined the staff of the Coalition as Special Assistants to the Chairman.

LEGISLATION

Chairman Gardner will testify in support of an emergency public service employment program on April 1 before the Subcommittee on Employment, Manpower and Poverty of the Senate Labor Committee.