

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 6, 1967

For: Jim Jones

From: Irv Sprague

Please refer to your attached memorandum of December 5, re Roy Archibald. Also December 5 memorandum from Marvin.

(attached)

Archibald in a TV show yesterday said he supports President Johnson for re-election and will not join McCarthy (see attached clip).

The California Congressmen discussed the election (next Tuesday) at their breakfast and repeated their urgent requests to me today for White House help for Archibald.

Archibald called me tonight to state he is running as a Johnson candidate, labelled as a Johnson candidate, but with some disagreement on the Viet Nam War.

He claims McCloskey is vulnerable on three issues: (a) Viet Nam, he favors withdrawal, (b) narcotics, he appears overly tolerant, and (c) Red China, he advocates admission.

Archibald said he might win with \$10,000. He certainly would win with \$20,000 for TV. This is not realistic. The primary figures were very bad. The district has been Republican since 1952.

I told the Congressmen, and Archibald, that we certainly want Democrats in the Congress but the vehicle for assistance is the Congressional Campaign Committee. Kirwan's committee gave him \$5,000 after the primary.

I further told Archibald that the National Committee, and not the White House, is the political arm of the party. John Criswell then took a call from Archibald and told him there will be no help from the National Committee.

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