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Subject: Re: 19jj Case - NTS Corporation & Senator McConnell - 9/29 Meeting

Karen - I tried to get a message to you earlier. Marcia will not be able to make the meeting because of depositions on another case. She told Jeff about that and suggested a different date and of course he said too bad, they're having it anyway. I briefed Barry Roth about this (Molly was out) and our insistence that no meeting be held unless there is agency council there and also the park. Th information re the fact that Don Murphy actually lives in the Fawn Lake development was a revelation provided to me by Barry. Mike Soukup and Steve Martin have both been sequestered in meetings with Paul Hoffman over Management Policies all week so I haven't been able to speak to them either. Unless the SOL puts a foot down and/or our senior political leadership sees the light, I fear this will turn into another mini scandal for the NPS, further hurting the credibility of the dedicated, hard working, career professional corps of the Service.

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Russ,

Thanks for the update: I havent spoken to Marcia. Is she planning on attending? Im guessing from your briefing that neither of us have been invited at this point.

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Hi Sandy,

It looks like our 19jj case with NTS Corporation has gone political (as the first case did.) This is no surprise. Please see the attached briefing statement for details.

I haven't received an invitation to this meeting yet and don't know if I will. I talked to Jeff Taylor about a month ago and convinced him that he should include the Solicitor's Office in the conversation.

A sidelight here is that Don Murphy lives in the neighborhood in question. Although I'm absolutely sure there's no conflict of interest, Marcia Gittes is concerned about the appearance of a conflict and will advise Don accordingly.



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