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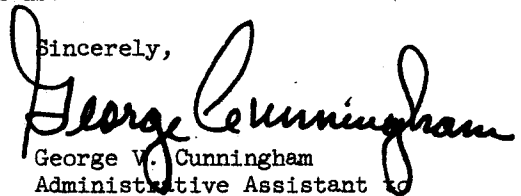
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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Thank you for your letter of July 12th. I will make sure that the Senator has an opportunity to read your thoughtful comments on the position taken by some elements of organized labor in relation to his candidacy. We appreciate your sharing them with us.

Sincerely,



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7/18/72 CONFIDENTIAL Cunningham's 7/14 response to my 7/12 (pretty fast, especially for his present situation): "...I will make sure that the Senator has an opportunity to read your thoughtful comments on the position taken by some elements of organized labor in relation to his candidacy..."

If this is faster and more than the minimum required by politeness, it is not something into which you should read too much. And there is no reference to my caution. That I can understand. There is a line between personal opinions and public expressions on the subject I have encountered on the Hill since 1965, with such fearless by rep. as Wayne Morse. No departures. Of the black caucus, not one wrote to thank for the book on the King case, several just wouldn't see me or discuss it. The only one who did see me was Conyers, far from the most progressive on such subjects.

But if anything comes of this, I presume you can understand the needless limitations imposed by JP's refusal to return my foundations file.

Matter of fact, Cunningham is, in a way, close to an exception. He did see me after he was half-way through F-U, and he must have discussed it with his (black) secretary, who was cordial when I dropped back last time I was on the Hill and he wasn't in. She didn't have to see me. The message he wasn't in was enough. And she didn't have to tell me, unsolicitedly, of his personal interest from her discussion of it with him.

Don't expect anything. I merely report, HW