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40 Sunset Drive  
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Sept. 22, 1970.

Mr. Daniel P. Moynihan,  
The White House,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The current issue of Human Events states that you are a director in the left-wing Americans for Democratic Action, and I would like to know whether this is true.

I know you will probably duck the question by not answering this letter, but I really would like to know-are you or are you not a member of the ADA?

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. E. McMahon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 25, 1970

Dear Ken:

I would appreciate it if you would prepare a draft reply to Mr. McMahon and return to this office for signature.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. Moynihan', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Daniel P. Moynihan  
Counsellor to the President

Professor John Kenneth Galbraith  
Littauer 207  
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Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Enclosure

*Memorandum from*

*John Kenneth Galbraith*

September 30, 1970

To: The Honorable Daniel Patrick  
Moynihan

I believe the attached  
will serve.

J.K.G.

September 30, 1970

Mr. William Edward McMahon  
40 Sunset Drive  
Brownsville, Texas 78520

Dear Mr. McMahon:

Until I entered the service of the Nixon Administration and became a member of the President's cabinet, I was a member in good standing of the National Board of Americans for Democratic Action. Since assuming my present office, there have been repeated efforts by left wing elements in that organization to have me expelled. However, thanks to the strenuous efforts of good Americans, led by Professor John Kenneth Galbraith at Harvard, these efforts have so far been forestalled. So the answer to your question, unless there has been recently successful action of which I am unaware, is that I am still an officer of this organization in good but not perfect standing.

Yours fraternally,

Daniel Patrick Moynihan

As from DPM/dgs