# **REPORT**

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Mr. William Reed, House Investigator

SUBJECT:

Contacts made on behalf of the Firm of Edmund G. Good, Jr. & Partners concerning the appointment of an architect for the purposes of designing an air terminal facility at Harrisburg International Airport

## 1. Persons making contacts:

Mr. Charles S. Warner, Partner 410 Folkstone Court York, Pennsylvania 17402

Mr. Donald G. Williams, Partner 309 Fieldstone Road Camp Hill, Pennsylvania 17011

Mr. Thomas S. Goas, Partner 48 Center Drive Camp Hill, Pennsylvania 17011

Mr. Richard M. Arnold, Associate (Deceased) 266 Elm Avenue Hershey, Pennsylvania

# 2. Persons Contacted

Mr. Dennis Thiemann, State Democratic Chairman

Mr. Jacob Kassab, Secretary of Transportation

# Reasons Person Selected for Contact

It was thought that Mr. Thiemann being State Democratic Chairman may be involved in the selection process or may be consulted regarding the same even if he had no direct involvement. It seemed that it would be advisable to make him aware of our interest in being selected the architect for Harrisburg International Airport and, consequently proceeded to make contacts on our behalf.

Since the Department of Transportation would be the using agency, we assume that Mr. Kassab would have a direct involvement in the selection of an architect and, consequently, wanted to make him aware of our interest and find out what procedure would be followed toward selection of an architect and what action was necessary on our part. We also wanted to inform him personally of our expertise and the association that we had formed for this particular project.

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## Persons Contacted

Mr. Kenneth B. Lee, Speaker of the House - Member of the G.S.A Committee

Mr. Trond Grenager, Special Assistant to Deputy Secretary for Planning

Mr. Robert Kane, Secretary of Revenue

Mr. Robert H. Jones, Executive Director General State Authority

## Reasons Person Selected for Contact

As a Member of the G.S.A. Committee, Mr. Lee would have a direct involvement in the selection of the architect, consequently we wanted to make him aware of our desires and our qualifications concerning the project.

Mr. Kassab referred us to Mr. Grenager as the individual who would be handling interviews and gathering information on interested architects. Obviously, we contacted him as a result of Mr. Kassab's suggestion.

It was decided that should the project or the selection of an architect for the project come up at a Cabnet level meeting, or if the Governor himself became involved, it would be advantageous to have someone familiar with our firm and aware of our interest at that level. Having met Mr. Kane several times, both in York and at political affairs and knowing no one else, I elected to contact Mr. Kane on our behalf. We suspected that Governor Shapp may become very much involved with the selection of an architect, particularly since he is on the G.S.A. Committee. We would have, therefore, liked to contact him directly. However, we had no entry and felt that Mr. Kane might fill that void.

Mr. Jones would obviously be involved in the selection of an architect as a Member of the G.S.A. Committee and as Executive Director of the General State Authority which would be the contracting agency. Since we had previously done G.S.A. work, I wanted to contact Mr. Jones to find out whether he felt our firm would be qualified and meet with his approval to undertake such a project should we be recommended or selected.



The following is a partial list of contacts in reference to the Harrisburg International Airport which were made on behalf of the Firm of Edmund G. Good, Jr., & Partners. It should be understood that the dates indicated may vary womewhat from actual and that this is as complete a list that I can possibly compile, obviously, there were probably telephone calls, incidental meetings, etc., that were not recorded nor any record made of.

Sometime in May of 1973 it was decided by the Partners of Edmund G. Good, Jr., & Partners that we would set about trying to obtain the commission of being the design firm selected for the terminal facility at Harrisburg International Airport. We knew that while we were probably one of the largest, if not the largest, architectural firm in Harrisburg that we did not have a track record in air terminal design. Therefore, our first efforts were made in the area of obtaining the highest quality expertise that we could find so that with that expertise and our substantial general practice that we could present ourselves to the State fully qualified to be selected for this very important project. The following is the list of contacts compiled to the best of my ability:

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Person Contacting

Person Contacted

June 27, 1973

Mr. Charles S. Warner

Mr. Ralph Meyers of Kivett & Mevers

# Remarks

This was a telephone call concerning the fact that the commission for the Harrisburg International Airport was available and that we may be interested in associating with them for the purpose of filling the void of our lack of expertise in the area of air terminal design.

July 6, 1973

Mr. Richard Arnold Mr. Harvey Thiemann

## Remarks

The substance of this contact was to make Mr. Thiemann aware of our interest in the project; to find out what steps should be taken; who the proper people were to contact, and to inform him of the expertise that we had to associate with our firm so that the highest quality service could be provided the State. Mr. Thiemann suggested that a contact with Mr. Kassab be made and, consequently, we followed that suggestion.

July ?, 1973

Mr. Richard Arnold

Mr. Jacob Kassab

### Remarks

Mr. Arnold contacted Mr. Kassab to inform him of our interest in the project; to inform him of our association with Kivett & Meyers, and also to find out what procedures were to be followed and what contacts would have to be made on our behalf to make sure that we were considered for the selection of an architect for the project. Mr. Kassab informed us that Mr. Trond Grenager, Special Assistant to Deputy Secretary for Planning, was the individual for the Department of Transportation who was handling the air terminal facility and that he had a list of architects that were interested and was conducting the interviewing and initial screening.

# Person Contacting

Person Contacted

July 18, 1973

Mr. Donald Williams
Mr. Richard Arnold

Mr. Kenneth B. Lee

# Remarks

The purpose of this contact was to inform Mr. Lee that we were interested in the commission on the Harrisburg International Airport and to inform him of our association with the Firm of Kivett and Meyers and to solicit his support should our name be recommended through the proper channels.

Aug. 1, 1973

Mr. Richard Arnold

Mr. Trond Grenager

Mr. Charles Warner Mr. Donald Williams

#### Remarks

We met with Mr. Grenager to discuss the prospects of our firm being selected as the architect for the design of the terminal building at Harrisburg International Airport. Mr. Grenager indicated that Mr. Kassab had established three major areas of criteria. (1) Be experienced in air terminal design (2) Have experience in Fast Tracking (3) Be a Firm possessing a good solid architectural background, preferably of local origin.

We informed Mr. Grenager of our association with Kivett & Meyers and our general background. He suggested that we prepare a proposal and meet with him on Thursday, August 9, 1973, along with Mr. Kivett from Kansas City. Missouri.

Aug. 3, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Robert Kane

# Remarks

I contacted Mr. Kane to inform him of our interest in the Harrisburg International Airport project; to inform him of our association with the firm of Kivett & Meyers; to give him some background on the Kivett & Meyers firm; and solicit his support should the opportunity arise of our firm being recommended for this project.

Aug. 9, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Trond Grenager

Mr. Hanan Kivett

Mr. Thomas Goas

#### Remarks

We presented our proposal to Mr. Grenager, had an in-depth interview with him concerning our expertise and qualifications and was informed that we would be placed on a list of qualified architects for this project.

Aug. 30, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner

Several Members of the Firm of Kivett & Meyers

#### Remarks

I traveled to Kansas City to discuss the basis upon which we would form our association for the above mentioned project.



# Person Contacting

Person Contacted

Oct. 15, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Robert Kane

# Remarks

I contacted Mr. Kane to see whether there were any further developments or whether it had reached the Cabinet Level. He informed me that it had not and the general discussion had indicated that it would be left pretty much up to the Department of Transportation.

Oct. 16, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Trond Grenager

#### Remarks

Mr. Grenager indicated that there was no change in the status at this point and that we were still as much in contention as we were before; that our position was unaltered.

Oct. 25, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner Mr. Trond Grenager

### Remarks

I had an in-depth discussion with Mr. Grenager concerning the selection of an architect. He indicated that a meeting between Mr. Kassab and the Governor was scheduled for the next day which the Harrisburg International Airport was to be discussed; however, this meeting had been cancelled by the Governor and was rescheduled for sometime in the near future. He expected, at this point, that the Transportation Department would present to the Governor the plans that they had formulated and how they plan to accomplish their goals. He, again, reaffirmed the fact that our position had not been altered and that we stood as good a chance as anyone and the approximate date for the selection of the architect hinged on setting a time schedule and because of the schedules being kept by the Governor and Mr. Kassab had not yet been set.

Oct. 21, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner Mr. Robert Kane

#### Remarks

I told Mr. Kane what my appraisal of the situation was as a result of my conversation with Mr. Grenager and he indicated from discussions that he heard that my appraisal of the information that I had was just about the way the situation was and at that point nothing was happening.

Nov. 8, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner Mr. Trond Grenager

#### Remarks

I asked if a decision had been made concerning an architect and was informed that it had not. Mr. Grenager informed me that there had been some preliminary discussions concerning a coordination of the project between PenDotand G.S.A. and that is as far as it went. Other than the fact that there was a meeting between the Governor and Mr. Kassab, which was previously reported, PenDot laid out for the Governor all their plans concerning Harrisburg International Airport. He indicated that they had established their case sufficiently well with the Governor and that it looked like the project would proceed. Time schedule, again, was impossible to estimate.



<u>Date</u>

Person Contacting

Person Contacted

Dec. 21, 1973

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Trond Grenager

# Remarks

I have no notes of this meeting but probably ask what time schedule, if any, was set forth for the selection of the architect and as on many occasions when I asked that question, the reply was that no time table had been set as of this date.

We submitted a Formal Proposal at this meeting.

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# Person Contacting

Person Contacted

Jan. 3, 1974

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Trond Grenager

# Remarks

Again, I have no notes from this meeting and it was probably the same as the previous contact made with Mr. Grenager.

Jan. 7, 1974

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Harvey Thiemann

# Remarks

In this discussion, Mr. Thiemann informed me that the Harrisburg International Airport project was in a particular Senate Bill that was being held-up in Committee and that he had no idea when it would come out and if it did, how quickly the G.S.A. or anyone else would act in the selection of the architect; however, he did say that if our firm were recommended, that he had no objection.

Jan. 10, 1974

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Trond Grenager

# Remarks

Again, I have no notes of this meeting and cannot recall its purpose; however, again, I would surmise it was to check with Mr. Grenager to find out if anything concrete had happened.

Mar. 7, 1974

### Remarks

While attending the Republican Fund Raising Dinner in Philadelphia, Mr. Thomas Goas, incidentally met Mr. Kenneth Lee and discussed our interest and background concerning the Harrisburg International Airport in Harrisburg.

Apr. 17, 1974

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Trond Grenager

#### Remarks

Again, I have no notes of the meeting; however, I am sure that it was as previously indicated. The contact was made to see what progress was being made. The reply was probably, "None".

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Person Contacting

Person Contacted

Mar. 22, 1974

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Robert Kane

# Remarks

I contacted Mr. Kane to find out if he had heard of any action being taken on the Harrisburg International Airport. He informed me that the air terminal project at Harrisburg International is completely tied-up by Senate Bill 1188 and that the reason that no action was taken was because of the tie-up. He indicated that he had absolutely no idea when the airport bill will come out of Committee.

Unknown

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Robert Jones

### Remarks

I contacted Mr. Jones to inform him of our interest and determine if we would be acceptable to him if our firm were recommended.

Unknown

Mr. Charles Warner

Mr. Robert Jones

### Remarks

I made this contact regarding the status of Senate Bill 1188 and to find out if he had any knowledge of any change in the status of the project on the selection of the architect.

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#### Gentlemen:

I have had sufficient time to thoroughly check my date books and found some additional dates that I contacted various people involved with the Harrisburg Air Terminal Facility. I have no notes or records of any kind concerning the discussions that took place; however, in the interest of being complete I can establish several other dates.

August 22, 1973 I met with Mr. Trond Grenager

Sept. 25, 1973 I met with Mr. Trond Grenager

October 16, 1973 the report indicates the content of the conversation; however, I did leave out the fact that at this meeting we delivered a mini-brochure concerning our qualifications.

Nov. 15, 1973 Don Williams and I met with Mr. Grenager

Dec. 12, 1973 Tom Goas and I met with Mr. Grenager

Feb. 5, 1974 I met with Mr. Grenager

At the end of the report submitted there were two contacts with Mr. Robert Jones, both of which the date is unknown. I was able to ascertain that the first one was November 20, 1973 and the second one I have no idea because I am sure it was just a phone call.

In addition to the above, I am submitting to you a list of political contributions made by representatives of the Firm of Edmund G. Good, Jr., & Partners. This was quite a task and I hope that it is very near 100% accurate. I can find no records to substantiate any political contributions other than those shown.

I trust that this information will be of help to you and your Committee. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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