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STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330

June 21, 1973

TO: All State Agencies  
FROM: Governor Kenneth M. Curtis *K*  
SUBJECT: State of Maine Washington Office

The State of Maine Washington Office has been in formal operation since Tuesday, May 29, 1973. The purpose of this office is to assist the Governor and state agencies in bringing about better communication with the federal government. State agencies will be better informed about actions taken by the federal government affecting Maine and information on the needs of Maine will be made available to the appropriate branches and agencies of the federal government. State agency applications for federal funds will be followed through channels and legal problems with the federal regulations can be scrutinized.

The Washington Office is an important link between Maine and the federal government because it provides a medium through which Maine needs can be reflected in federal dollars and programs. Important legislation and Congressional appropriations will be followed closely to make sure that state agencies are more aware of the opportunities and obligations affecting them.

The staff of the Washington Office consists of three people, with William N. Ellis as Director. Ellis has had a long background of federal government service. Most recently he was in the office of the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Science and Technology. He spent last year in Maine as Federal Science Advisor to the Governor under the Federal Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970. He is a native of Rangeley, Maine.

Leslie E. Vincent of Portland is Executive Assistant. She has spent the last three years on the Washington staff of Newsweek Magazine, and during that time became familiar with federal agencies and Capitol Hill activities.

George Bachrach of Brunswick serves as the Research Assistant. He is a graduate of Harvard University and is now attending Georgetown University Law Center. He previously worked for two summers in the Governor's Office in Maine.

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The address of the State of Maine Washington Office is:

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The Washington staff is available to assist your agency at any time in obtaining further information on federal programs, Maine applications, legislation, or other matters important to Maine. For your records, the following are the home telephone numbers of the staff:

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George Bachrach (202) 543-2782

Please note for June 29, 1973, William Ellis and Leslie Vincent will be at the Governor's Cabinet meeting. At that time they would be particularly happy to receive questions and suggestions.

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