

White House Memo

January 28, 1982

SUMMARY OF COMPROMISES ON THE VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL DESIGN

Listed below is a summary of the compromises reached at the meeting held by Senator Warner on January 27, 1982:

- o The color, elevation and basic design of the currently approved memorial design will not be altered.
- o The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF) accepts the proposal for incorporating a statue in the existing design.
- o The VVMF will provide to the participants in the meeting the opportunity to comment on and participate in the selection of the statuary design.
- o The VVMF will seek approval for a flag to be flown at the memorial site.
- o The VVMF will strengthen the words in the inscription and ensure that it is prominently displayed.
- o The VVMF will consider an appropriate inscription to be provided at the base of the statue.

Based on this agreement, there is no reason to hold up the plan to break ground by March 1. If there is concern that the VVMF will not aggressively seek to place a statue at the site, dedication of the memorial could be contingent on the completion of both the statuary and the current memorial design.