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Hello, this is Congressman Nick Rahall.

I have just sent the following telegram to President Carter: Mr. President; I repsectfully request that you personally visit and view the complete devastation in Appalachia caused by the recent floods there, and that you make a first-hand examination and evaluation of the effectiveness of the Federal Government's releif efforts. Words cannot desribe the conditions existing in my Congressional District, nor can they depict the frustration experienced in trying to get aid to my people.

I am hopeful that the President will respond favorably to my request, because the time for excuses as to why flood vicitms are not being helped, is over.

I understand that a time period was necessary to get the relief operation into full swing, but it has been almost three weeks and the effort should be moving smoothly. I intend to do whatever I can, to see that it does.

This is Congressman Nick Rahall.