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CONGRESSMAN

Nick Rahall

WEST VIRGINIA-4th DISTRICT

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WEDNESDAY 1/19/77

I HAVE THIS EVENING BEEN IN CONTACT WITH GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER PERSONALLY TO DISCUSS THE PRESENT PROBLEM OF SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA DUE TO THE SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

IT IS NOT OUR BELIEF AT THE PRESENT TIME THAT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED. HOWEVER, THE GOVERNOR HAS CANCELLED HIS INAUGURATION PLANS HERE IN WASHINGTON TO STAY IN WEST VIRGINIA IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A CLOSE WATCH ON THE SITUATION. HE WILL BE IN CONTACT SHOULD THE EVENTS CHANGE ENOUGH TO WARRANT FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

called & talked to 1/19/77 - NR
① Jack Swannick - Herald Dispatch
② WNR radio station - typed
③ Mike Kerkland - Britby Post Herald
④ Harold Church - WVA news
⑤ Bob Wallingford - AP Bureau in CRW