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This was previous to
Convention of 1964

only a few days before,
I recall that I was

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APN at the time of my
departure from the
Committee, I recall that I

was in the process of
leaving the building and
I recall that I will

not be a candidate for
re-election. I recall that I
in the last of my life in

my home state, in
which my family, for
the reason of my father

have left me the
time for campaigning.
This business in which

was the first of my
career. I can feel my father
of the Committee to which

(over)

Possible Statement (if you decide to)

Having, by the end of this present term, finished some thirty years of public service, ranging from my young years with the NVA, to the House of Representatives, the Senate, the Vice Presidency, and latterly this ultimate responsibility, I wish now to announce that I will not be a candidate for re-election. I wish to spend the rest of my life in my home state, in peace with my family, for whom the rigors of my duties have left me too little time for companionship.

This decision is made easier by the fact that I can feel my conduct of the Presidency, to which

I came in such a ^{tragic} hour
of national rending, has
not been without some
solid accomplishment —
thanks to the Grace of God
and the sturdy cooperation
of the American people.

To all those who
have helped me throughout
these years, my thanks
— and those of my family
— can never be fully
expressed.