

THE WHITE HOUSE  
PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON  
DAILY DIARY

Date March 15, 1966

The President began his day at (Place) White House Day TUESDAY

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|           | In      | Out | Lo               | LD |   |                  |
|           | 6:55 am |     |                  |    | Breakfast   |                  |
| C 8:27    |         |     | t                |    | Jack Dempsey - NYC -- at the NBC studios (b.1) to Compliment him on his TV appearance and to tell him to call the President when next he got to town. |                  |
| 9:00      |         |     |                  |    | To the East Room for signing ceremony for the Supplemental Military Authorization Bill.   |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | (Bill authorizes appropriations of more than \$4,800,00,000 for the support of Defense Establishment -- for soldiers in Vietnam)                      |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Those that attended were:   |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Senator Russell Long  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Senator Stuart Symington  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Senator Henry M. Jackson  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Senator Howard Cannon   |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Senator Daniel K. Inouye  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman Hale Boggs  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman L. Mendel Rivers  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman J. Philip Philbin   |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman F. Edward Hebert  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman Melvin Price  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman Porter Hardy  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman Charles E. Bennett  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman James A. Byrne  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman Samuel S. Stratton  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman Otis G. Pike  |                  |
|           |         |     |                  |    | Congressman Richard H. Ichord   |                  |

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|           |      |     |                    |    | (Page reserved for signing ceremony)                  |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Alton Lennon                              |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Robert L. Leggett                         |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Frank E. Evans                            |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Rodney M. Love                            |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Floyd V. Hicks                            |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Hervey G. Machen                          |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman William H. Bates                          |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Alvin E. O'Konski and Frank O'Konski      |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman William G. Bray                           |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Alexander Pirnie                          |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Robert T. Stafford                        |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Congressman Richard S. Schweiker                      |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Hon. Stanley R. Resor - Secy. of the Army             |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Hon. Paul H. Nitze - Secy. of the Navy                |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Hon. Harold Brown - Secy. of the Air Force            |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | General Earle G. Wheeler - Chmn, JCS                  |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | General Harold K. Johnson - Chief of Staff, - US Army |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | General John P. McConnell - Chief of Staff, USAF      |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Admiral David J. McDonald j- Chief of Staff - US Navy |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | General Wallace M. Greene - Chief of Staff - USMC     |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Secy. Cy Vance  |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    |   |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Mr. and Mrs. A. Panos                                 |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Dr. Peter Mikas                                       |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Mike Kavoulakis                                       | Naomi Noves              |
|           |      |     |                    |    | John Pankas   | Richard Bustin           |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Mike Kapotas  |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Robert Anthony  |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | Mr & Mrs Clark Williams                               |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | " " Richard Johnson                                   |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | " " Jack Barver                                       |                          |
|           |      |     |                    |    | " " James Pitcock, Jr                                 |                          |

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|           | In    | Out   | Lo               | LD |   |                  |
| <u>C</u>  | 9:18  | 9:37  |                  |    | To the Oval Office w/ Congressman Mendel Rivers and MW and JJ<br>(only Cong. Rivers to the Oval Office)   | Oke pics         |
|           |       |       |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 9:22  |       | t                |    | Joe Califano -- ("Bring in those bills that we can talk to Cong. Rivers about ")  |                  |
|           | 9:25  | 9:37  |                  |    | Joe Califano joined the President and Cong. Rivers  |                  |
| <u>C</u>  | 9:35  |       | t                |    | Mr. John R. Blanford - Armed Services Committee of the House - Chief Counsel<br>(Cong. Rivers originated the call)  |                  |
|           |       |       |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 10:08 |       | t                |    | Bm (pl)   |                  |
|           | 10:15 |       | f                |    | MW (pl)   |                  |
|           |       |       |                  |    |   |                  |
| <u>C</u>  | 10:51 |       | t                |    | Secy. Vance -- re recent situation in Vietnam in regard to PM Ky  |                  |
|           | 10:56 |       | t                |    | Bill Moyers (pl)  |                  |
|           | 11:13 |       | t                |    | MW (pl)   |                  |
| <u>C</u>  | 11:15 | 11:17 |                  |    | Senator Warren Magnuson<br>Congressman Mike Kirwan<br>Mr. Jess Larsen - Chmn. of<br>Mr. Ken Harding - Chmn. of House Campaign Committee<br>Mr. Matty Mathews - Chmn. of Senate Campaign Committee |                  |
|           |       |       |                  |    | To present an invitation to President to attend Congressional Democratic fund-raising   |                  |



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|           | 2:15p |     | t                |    | BM (pl)  |                  |
| 1         | 2:32p |     | t                |    | Senator Thomas Kuchel of California - Walter Reed Hospital, where he is recuperating from a gall bladder operation |                  |
|           | 2:25p |     | t                |    | Henry Wilson   |                  |
|           | 2:32p |     | f                |    | <del>Bill Moyers</del> Bill Moyers   |                  |
|           | 2:40p |     | +                |    | MW (pl)  |                  |
|           | 2:45p |     | +                |    | Henry Wilson   |                  |
|           | 2:47p |     | +                |    | Bm (pl)  |                  |
|           | 2:50p |     | +                |    | JV (pl)  |                  |
|           | 3:20p |     | +                |    | Bm (pl)  |                  |
|           | 3:30p |     | +                |    | Mike Manatos   |                  |
|           | 3:45p |     | +                |    | MW (pl)  |                  |
|           | 4:02p |     | +                |    | Ashton Gonella   |                  |
|           | 4:03p |     | +                |    | Bm   |                  |
|           | 4:19p |     | +                |    | MW (pl)  |                  |
|           | 4:25p |     | +                |    | JJ   |                  |

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|   | In    | Out   | Lo               | LD |  |                  |
|   | 4:30p |       | f                |    | MW   |                  |
| C   | 4:35p |       | +                |    | Secy Rusk (b.1) re de Gaulle - NATO problems |                  |
|   | 4:40p |       | f                |    | JV   |                  |
|   | 4:45p |       | f                |    | M Manatos                                    |                  |
|   | 5:20p |       |                  |    | To Oval Office                               |                  |
|   | 5:24p |       | +                |    | GM   |                  |
|   | 5:30p | 6:00p |                  |    | GM   |                  |
|   | 5:35p |       | +                |    | Mike Manatos                                 |                  |
|   | 5:40p |       | +                |    | MW (pc)                                      |                  |
| C   | 5:41p |       | f                |    | Warren Woodward                              |                  |
|   | 6:00  |       |                  |    | To barbershop                                |                  |
| <p><i>The President worked numerous papers being sent out to him all through the day which kept his desk and signing table unusually clean.</i></p> <p>The President today sent to Dr. and Mrs. George Calver (he is Capitol physician) one of his medallions in the velvet box on the occasion of a reception honoring them on their <del>fiftieth</del> fiftieth wedding anniversary -- by way of Dr. Burkley who will attend the reception</p> |       |       |                  |    |  |                  |

Today sent a memo to Secy Rusk directing him to undertake certain measures to improve our participation in international organizations

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|           | 6:25p  |       |                  |    | To MW's ofc   |                  |
|           | 6:30p  |       |                  |    | To Oval Ofc.  |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    |   |                  |
| C         | 7:00p  | 8:20p |                  |    | Chairman Wilbur Mills and Congressman John Byrnes   |                  |
| C         | 7:10p  | 8:20p |                  |    | Joined by Secy Fowler and Joseph Barr   |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    |   |                  |
| C         | 8:05p  | 8:12p |                  |    | Press and photogs in to watch<br>SIGNING CEREMONY of the<br>Tax Bill  |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    | at his desk, w/ Cong Mills and Byrnes and Secys Fowler and Barr gathered around him.  |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    |   |                  |
| C         | 8:25p  | 9:33p |                  |    | Secy Rusk and Francis Bator; -- Bator out at 8:30p<br>in little lounge  |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 9:25p  |       | f                |    | Mrs. Johnson  |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 9:31p  | 9:35p |                  |    | Mrs. Johnson -- who came over to lure the President from his desk<br>and encouraged him to bring the Secy of State over for dinner and finish their<br>visit there. However, the Secretary had finished his business and he declined<br>the dinner invitation.. |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    |   |                  |
| C         | 9:43p  |       |                  |    | To the mansion w/ Mrs. Johnson, Luci, Mrs. Charles "Mary Love" <del>Rix</del> Bailey, MF  |                  |
| C         | 9:52p  |       | f                |    | Justice Fortas - Cambridge, Mass. (returning his call)  |                  |
| C         | 10:30p |       |                  |    | DINNER w/ Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Charles Bailey, MF<br>(Luci <del>and Bator</del> sat in the dining room, but did not eat.)   |                  |
|           |        |       |                  |    |   |                  |
|           | 11:15p |       |                  |    | Retired   |                  |
|           | 11:48a |       | t                |    | Joe Califano  |                  |