

THE WHITE HOUSE  
 PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON  
 DAILY DIARY

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Date March 1, 1967

The White House

Day Wednesday

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	In	Out	Lo	LD		
	<del>8:20am</del>					
	8:30a				Breakfast	
	9:30a		t		Douglass Cater (pl)	
	9:39a		t		Tom Johnson (pl)	
	9:45a		t		Walt Rostow (pl)	
✓	9:53a		t		Senator Mike Mansfield (b.2) re Vietnam plans	
✓	10:25a		f		Secy Rusk	
	10:35a				To Oval Office w/ GC and MW	
✓	10:44a		t		Secretary McNamara (b. 1)	
	10:46a		t		MW (pl)	



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	11:41a		t		MW (pl)	
	11:43a		t		George Christian (pl)	
	11:44a	<i>11:50a</i>			George Christian in	
	11:49a				The President asked for Secy McNamara -- en route to the Cabinet Mtg - "never mind"	
<i>C</i>	11:50a	12:05p			Hon. Farris Bryant Marvin Watson	(Governor Robert Smylie was scheduled to be in on this appt, but did not arrive)
	11:57a		t		Tom Johnson (pl)	
	11:58a	<i>12:00N</i>			The President saw Secy McNamara walk by the glass doors en route to the Cabinet Room, and he <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">██████████</span> called out to the Secy and asked him to come into his office. The Secy entered the President's office by way of the glass porch doors.	

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	12:05p				To mjdr's room - en route the Cabinet Room - and looked at front section and editorial page of "Evening Star"	
①	12:06p	- 1:34p			To Cabinet Room for CABINET MEETING	
					Attorney General-designate, Ramsey Clark	
					Secy of Transportation, Hon. Alan Boyd	
					Acting Secy of Commerce, Alexander Trowbridge	
					Secy of Defense, Robert McNamara	
					Acting Secy of Treasury, Joseph Barr	
					Secy of HEW, John Gardner	
					Secy of State, Dean Rusk	
					Secy of Labor, Willard Wirtz	
					PMG Lawrence O'Brien	
					Secy of HUD, Robert Weaver	
					Secy of Agriculture, Orville Freeman	
					The Vice President, Hubert Humphrey	
					Robert Kintner	
					George Christian	
					Walt Rostow	
					The President followed the agenda including a report by Secy Rusk on foreign affairs and by Secy McNamara on the military situation in VietNam. The President reviewed with each Cabinet Member, except for Secy Rusk who had left to meet the press, the status of the legislation before the Congress. He asked for reports by Friday of authorizations, appropriations and the status of Bills so that he might study them at the ranch this weekend. Kintner memo dated March 1, 1967:mf (to DT)	

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	1:34p				To Oval Rm Ofc w/Marvin Watson and George Christian	
	1:45p		t		Liz Carpenter. MW placed the call but President TALKED. Mrs. Carpenter was w/Mrs. Johnson in Room S. 338, <sup>the</sup> Capitol Building at Sen. Allen Ellender's Luncheon where she was guest of honor.	
	1:48p				The President departed Oval Rm Ofc - and to his limousine waiting outside on So. Grds.	
	1:49p				joined in auto by Helen Thomas Frank Cormier , AP Tom Johnson , UPI	
	1:47 <del>1:50p</del>	1:53p			Departed South Grds for U.S. Captiol - w/ above <sup>side</sup> The President arrived the Senate <del>at 1:50p</del> and went to Senator Ellender's office at 1:55p -- without anybody's noticing his presence. Once in Senator Ellender's office, he shook hands w/ approximately 20 Senators' wives who were guests along w/ Mrs. Johnson who was guest of honor. The President sat down and ate LUNCH w/ Mrs. Johnson, Senator Ellender, and the 20 ladies. (TJ stayed outside the room) -- the President ate gumbo (cooked by Senator Ellender), salad, and pralines. He spent <del>about</del> about 20 minutes at the lunch table, and after finishing, he, Mrs. Johnson, and Sen Ellender posed for pictures at the door of the Senator's office for news photographers and press	

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*mf asked Marilyn for list*

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					waiting outside. The President and Mrs. Johnson said goodbye to Sen. Ellender and returned to their car, and the President returned to the White House in the car, accompanied by Mrs. Johnson, Ashton Gonella, Liz Carpenter, Frank Cormier, and Helen Thomas, and Tom Johnson. En route to the White House, the President was kidding Tom Johnson about being a "bright young man," and asking the newspaper people present if they had heard anything about him lately (him being TJ). The President said that he never knew how important people around him were until they [redacted] quit, referring to Moyers and Jacobsen. Tom Johnson:mf	
					see page 10 for attendance	
2:22 -	2:30p				The President returned to White House. With Mrs. Johnson and those mentioned above To Diplomatic Reception entrance, then upstairs alone -- and to his [redacted] bedroom	
	2:35p		t		Walt Rostow (pl)	
C	3:00p		t		Senator J. W. Fulbright (b.2) - re consular treaty	
	3:10p				The President asked for Director Richard Helms - en route to his office - left word	
C	3:11p		t		[redacted] Secretary McNamara	
	3:20p		t		MW (pl)	
	3:25p		t		Liz Carpenter	
C	3:27p		f		Director of CIA, Richard Helms (returning the President's call)	

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	3:34p		t		Harry McPherson (pl)	
	3:36p		t		MW (pl) - while putting McPherson on "hold" -- then almost immediately back to McPherson	
	3:50p		f		Governor John Connally - Mayflower Hotel, Room 690 (Governor had called MW and MW transferred him to the President)	
	4:20p		t		George Christian (pl)	
	4:43p		f		Harry McPherson	
	4:50p		t		Henry Wilson (pl) The President had just received a message that the House voted down 222-202 the Committee recommendation to seat Cong. Powell but take away his seniority.	
	5:03p		t		Henry Wilson (pl)	
	5:12p		f		Mrs. Johnson	
	5:38p				The President to the office --stopped in mjdr's room reading Washington Post articles w/ Marvin Watson on Library	
	5:42p - 6:30				To the Cabinet Room to join Secy Dean Rusk - to discuss plans for Latin American Summit meeting Asst Secy Robert Sayre Hon. Sol Linowitz, Amb to OAS Hon. William Gaud, Administrator AID Under Secy Joseph Barr Dep Asst Secy Winthrop Knowlton (Depty Asst Secy for International Affairs, Treasury) Walt Rostow William Bowdler	

SEE TRAVEL RECORD FOR TRAVEL ACTIVITY

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	6:50p				The President and Marvin Watson to mjdr's room where the President saw a copy of the photo of him in ranch clothes w/ the yellow sunset in background. He returned to the Cabinet Room, picture in hand, saying "Dean, you want to take this to your pretty wife?"	
					The President then saw the large official photo on yb's desk and said he would like to send it to the Cabinet and principal agency heads--said to put in five a day to him with a nice suggestion.	
					The President then worked some papers on mjdr's desk with her, giving mjdr and MW instructions.	
	6:55p				to oval office alone	
	7:02p		t		Secy Robert McNamara	
	7:10p	8:12p			OFF RECORD: Marianne Means <i>Riordan</i> . (She called MW to say that she would like to report "how stupid she thinks Romney is." She made the western swing w/ Romney)	
	7:47p		t		Joe Califano (pl)	
	8:00p		t		Walt Rostow (pl)	
	8:07;		t		Marvin Watson (pl)	
	8:23p		t		John Macy - Op. reported he was at the McArthur Theatre - Pres. said "never mind."	
	8:45p	- 11:25p			OFF RECORD: The President and Mrs. Johnson departed for dinner at the home of Cong. & Mrs. <sup>Richard</sup> Bolling	
					Guests included:	
					Cong and Mrs. Carl Albert	Mr. and Mrs. Barefoot Sanders
					Cong and Mrs. James O'Hara	Mr. Barthlemes, AA to Cong Bolling
					Cong and Mrs. Jack Brooks	
					Cong Morris Udall - Arizona	and, of course, Cong and Mrs. Richard
					Cong James Corman - California	Bolling
					Cong. William R. Anderson - Tennessee	
					Cong Sam Gibbons - Florida	



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✓					Attendance at Senator Ellender's luncheon:	
					Mrs. Lawrence O'Brien	
					Mrs. Orville Freeman	
					Mrs. Henry Fowler	
					Mrs. Perle Mesta	
					Mrs. Ralph Yarborough	
					Mrs. Everett Dirksen	
					Mrs. Spessard Holland	
					Mrs. John Tower	
					Mrs. William Fulbright	
					Mrs. Mike Monroney	
					Mrs. Vance Hartke	
					Mrs. Thomas Kuchel	
					Mrs. Marvin Watson	
					Mrs. Leslie Carpenter	
					<del>Betty</del> Betty Beale (press)	
					Sarah McClendon (press)	
					Ashton Gonella	
					Mrs. Harry Byrd, Jr.	
					Mrs. Hubert Humphrey	