

THE WHITE HOUSE
 PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON
 DAILY DIARY

Date April 25, 1967

The President began his day at (Place) DCM House, Bad Godesberg, Germany

Day Tuesday

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					Father Schneider arrived at 8:00 a. m. this morning and went into the President's bedroom to have coffee with him. He rode in the motorcade and attended the Memorial Service and Mass for Chancellor Adenauer today.	
	9:51a				The President, accompanied by Ambassador George C. McGhee and MW departed via car, [redacted] en route Bundeshaus	
	9:57a				Arrived Bundestag, Entrance 7 -- then to a small anteroom where he was greeted by President Luebke, Chancellor Kiesinger, Herr Konrad Adenauer, Jr., and Bundestagpraesident, [redacted] Gerstenmaier. The President was then escorted to his seat in the [redacted] Bundestag	
	10:00a				MEMORIAL SERVICE for Chancellor Konrad Adenauer	
					Excerpts from the pool report (again edited by Tom Johnson) add the following: Inside Bundeshaus, red roses massed behind speaker's platform, bowls of white lilies set at front and white lilies and white chrysanthemums banked at front of platform. Bundestag has beige walls, with gold decorations on wall behind speaker's platform, huge German eagle with feathers and claws tipped in gold in middle of the wall	

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					Continuing w/ excerpts from Tom-Johnson-edited pool report:	
					At exactly 10:00 a.m. bell tolled once, and President Johnson entered w/ President Luebke and President DeGaulle. Luebke was in the middle as they entered, flanked by President Johnson and DeGaulle, who had their first meeting in small ante room after arriving at Bundestag (Christian said was brief mtg -- shook hands, greeted each other briefly). President Johnson and DeGaulle sat in special row of armchairs in front of first row of regular pushup seats. Again President was next to Luebke and DeGaulle on [redacted] other side of Luebke, with Kiesinger next to DeGaulle. Erhard and Brandt in row behind President. Bundestag President Gerstenmaier on other side Of President Johnson, separated by large bowl of white lilies. At 10:05 a.m. first notes of Vivaldi selectinn. Estimated seating capacity of hall: 400. At 10:10a, President Luebke left seat to rostrum to deliver brief speech. [redacted] Luebke speech followed by Gerstenmaier speech, followed by Kiesingers/speech, followed by Haydn selection. End of ceremony.	
	11:04a				The President departed the Bundestag w/ MW and Ambassador McGhee en route to Villa Hammerschmidt (President Luebke's residence)	
					for LUNCHEON	
					The President talked to DeGaulle at the luncheon on Tuesday. A memcon is available. The two were extremely courtly and courteous to each other. There was virtually nothing of substance except for some elegant fencing on who should invite whom to what country. The duel ended in a draw: no visit decided upon as of this moment. DeGaulle offered the President the biggest chateau outside of Paris, and the President countered by saying that he would always be glad to see him sometime, perhaps when DeGaulle comes through en route to Expo '67-- in other words, no hits, no runs, and no errors--no ball game. Also at the luncheon the PM of Sweden was desperately anxious to explain to him why they are accepting a Bertrand Russell [redacted] investigation in Sweden due to their complex laws. He kept getting interrupted by Ben Gurion and other characters. So the President later this day dispatched Rostow in the middle of the night to find the PM of Sweden and tell him how concerned the President was and to listen to his story. Rostow:mf	

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					Mr. Rostow's briefing paper for the President indicated the following would attend the luncheon:	
					The President	
					General Charles de Gaulle	
					Prime Minister Aldo Moro of Italy	
					Prime Minister Harold Wilson of the United Kingdom	
					Foreign Minister Paul Martin of Canada	
					Prime Minister Jens Otto Krag of Denmark	
					Foreign Minister Abba Eban of Israel	
					Former Foreign Minister <i>Nobusuke</i> Kishi of Japan	
					Prime Minister Pierre Werner of Luxembourg	
					Foreign Minister Ahmed Laraki of Morocco	
					Prime Minister Petrus de Jong of the Netherlands	
					Prime Minister Per Borten of Norway	
					Prime Minister Tage Erlander of Sweden	
					Foreign Minister Habib Bourguiba, Jr., of Tunisia	
					Prime Minister Suleyman Demirel of Turkey	
					Secretary General (of the Directorate) Lt. General Chieu of Vietnam	
					Prime Minister Bjarni Benediktsson of Iceland	
					Vice President Luis Adolfo Siles of Bolivia	
					Foreign Minister Hilgard Muller of South Africa	
					Prime Minister Josef Klaus of Austria	
					Prime Minister Paul Vanden Boeynants of Belgium	
					Foreign Minister [REDACTED] Spyros Kyprianou of Cyprus	
					[REDACTED] Deputy Prime Minister Eamon Aiken of Ireland	
					Luncheon hosted by Dr. Helmut Lemke, President of the Bundersrat (upper house of Parliament) who will be seated on the President's left.	

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					Mr. Rostow's briefing papers for this Reception indicated [redacted] that it would be attended by:	
					Federal President Heinrich Luebke	
					Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger and his entire Cabinet	
					Bundestag President Gerstenmaier	
					The Chairmen of the party groups in the Bundestag	
					Other leading Bundestag deputies	
					Heads of State Governments who are also chairmen of their state delegations in the Bundesrat (upper house of Parliament)	
					Most of the Heads and members of foreign delegations will also be present (DeGaulle did not attend -- mf)	
					Mr. Rostow's briefing paper also indicated that there should be an opportunity for the President to exchange a few words with a number of the most influential politicians in the Federal Republic:	
					Economics Minister Karl Schiller	
					Minister for All-German Affairs Herbert Wehner	
					Defense Minister Gerhard Schroeder of the CDU	
					Finance Minister Franz Josef Strauss, who is also chairman of the CSU	
					Rainer Barzel, Chairman of the CDU/CSU parliamentary group	
					Helmut Schmidt, chairman of the SPD parliamentary group	
					Erich Mende, national chairman of the FDP and former Vice Chancellor in the Erhard government	

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	5:18p				The President arrived the DCM Residence w/ Secy Rusk They went to the living room---	
	5:19pm				Joined by the Italian delegation consisting of Prime Minister Aldo Moro Foreign Minister Amintore Fanfani Ambassador Luccioli --Italian Ambassador to Germany Diplomatic Consul Pompei Chief of Press Services Gardini Protocol Attache Ruggiero Counselor Spinelli	
	Briefing papers for this mtg to DT				The President's interview w/ Moro was devoted to a passionate, well articulated appeal to the President by ████████ Moro to permit a time limit on the non-proliferation treaty in order to see how things evolve in U. S. -Soviet arms control negotiations, in NATO, and in Europe. Moro felt it was unfair for the two to lock themselves into a treaty in perpetuity when their security hinged on many things that might change. Rostow:mf	
FROM POOL REPORT:						
	6:15p				The President came out of his residence w/ Moro on his right and Fanfani on his left, and posed for pictures. He then saw them into their car and came up to reporters to give a fill-in. The President said: "These are just courtesy calls some of those here for the funeral are paying before they return. Mr. Rostow and Mr. Rusk Joined us. We talked about the occasion today and the contributions Chancellor Adenauer made to the unity of Europe and the Free World and the great reconstruction of the German nation and of all Europe. We discussed the Kennedy Round, the Non-proliferation treaty, and matters of mutual interest. They were not ████████ in depth. References were made ████████ to problems connected with them. The conclusion was that at an appropriate time Rusk and Fanfani will pursue some of the various matters." The President then said he was going back in to talk w/ PM Wilson and said that would be all for the evening.	
Above from Tom Johnson-approved pool report.						

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					The English delegation, scheduled for bilaterals w/ the President and Secy Rusk at 6:00pm, arrived--They met in the livingroom of the DCM House---	
					Briefing papers for this mtg to DT	
					Prime Minister Harold Wilson Ambassador Roberts Mr. Palliser, private secretary Mr. Hall, private secretary and an Inspector from Scotland Yard	
					"He and Wilson met alone -- so there are no papers on this mtg. The only thing I know is that the President, trying to throw Wilson off guard, and fully expecting Wilson to complain again about our bombing of VietNam -- asked Wilson when he was going to send his two brigades of troops to VietNam. Wilson's hollow laughter managed to keep him from mentioning the bombing. Rostow:mf	
	6:57p				PM Wilson and the President emerged together at this time. They had talked about 45 minutes. The President asked the Prime Minister to tell the reporters about their meeting. PM Wilson said, "We just had a short talk. We brought each other up to date on European problems and the Common Market. We have not tried to anticipate what will be discussed when I visit Washington in June. We took a rough look at the agenda." Then the President saw the Prime Minister into his car and the President returned to his residence. above paragraph (6:57p entry) from pool report which was verified by Tom Johnson	
	6:54p				The President and Prime Minister had a short talk in the living room of the residence. Then the PM departed at 6:56p.	

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	7:35pm				The President went upstairs and talked briefly w/ mf, Mr. & Mrs. Geroge Christian, Marvin Watson, amd mary s--He looked at a new selection of china for possible purchase and asked the opinion of those gathered with him. After freshening up in his room, the President returned downstairs going to the sittingroom between the livingroom and dining room to inscribe a Jim Bama picture to Col Cross --"To Jim Cross the best I know, from his devoted frënd, Lyndon B. Johnson"	
	7:45pm				The President then went to the living room where Col. Cross was waiting for him (he had been asked to come over). After visitng with him a while, the President had mary s and mf bring in the following wrapped gifts--for today was Col. Cross's 42nd birthday: an accutron watch (which the President told Col. Cross to have inscribed to him from LBJ; the first set of silver eagles for his uniform to be worn on May 1st, the day his promotion to full colonel becomes effective-. and the autographed picture. Prior to his leaving, Col. Cross was also given a birthday cake (He was asked to stay for dinner, but he had already made plans with some old friends in Germany)	
	8:40p				Present at this time, were The President Col. Cross mf, mary s Mr. & Mrs. George Christian	
					The President then gave mf her birthday gift--an album of pictures inscribed "Marie Fehmer on her birthdäy, April 25, 1967, Lyndon B. Johnson"	
	7:59 - 8:01		X		<i>Wall Roche</i>	
	8:50pm				Dr. John Roche joined for dinner--The President kidded Mr. Roche about none of his books being here and so many of Schlesinger's books being here. Dr. Roche said he would just send a few of his over immediately upon his return to Washington!	

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					The President told Dr. Roche that he thought a letters to the editors group should be formed and get the editors to print more liberal views. He said Mrs. Roche would be good on such a group and that Mrs. Robert Kintner would be good also.	
					The Prsident then told about Father Schneider meeting Chancellor Kissinger, President Luebke, PM Wilson and other dignitaries today and how he hoped Oke had gotten the pictures of these meetings.	
	9:00pm				Clarence Knetsch joined for dinner	
	9:10m				Okamoto joined for dinner	
	9:15p				Nell Yates joined for dinner	
	9:58pm				Tom JOhnson and Connie Gerrard joined for dinner--	
					The President said that there were so many people who worked so hard on the trips and were rarely thanked or given notice, so he wanted to have a few such as Nell and Connie to dinner.	
	9:15pm				Mr. & Mrs. George Christian departed for they had previous plans to eat with some of the press---	
	9:50pm				DINNER w/ Marie Fehmer--her birthday dinner Tom Johnson Clarence Knetsch mary s Marvin Watson Nell Yates Okamoto Dr. John Roche Connie Gerrard	The President talked more about Father Schneider today-- for dinner the President had green salad, baked potato, steak, red wine

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	10:00p				Marvin Watson reported to the PResident that the Senate just passed the "Outer Space Treaty " 88-0.	
					Fro dessert the President had a birthday cake with four candles brought out for marie and led the group in singing "Happy Birthda" --four times to wait for Okamoto to get his camera! The President had the first piece-- cut by mf, and then the cake was served by the stewards. Accompanyng the cake was champagne and vanilla ice cream.	
	10:50pm				the President left the group at the table and went upstairs to his bedroom	
	10:52	11:04		f	Mike Manatos, Washington	
	11:30p			f	Joe Califano, Washington	
					Marvin Watson telephoned the President the folðowing message through mary s "Foreign participation was not expected at the funeral of the Russian antro- naut; therefore Secy Katzenbach interpreted that to mean no on the question of sending one of our astronauts and wife (Borman) to the funeral. Therefore there will be no participation."	

