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the White House Sunday Day_ Telephone Time Expendi-Entry f or t Activity (include visited by) ture No. Code Out LD In The President and Mrs. Johnson went to the South Grounds to 7:05a wait for Lynda who was due to arrive from California where she had said goodbye to Chuck last night. 7:10a Lynda arrived The President, Mrs. Johnson and 7:14a Lynda to the second floor 7:50a The President told the operator that he wanted to talk to Mr. Krim as soon as she heard from him. 8:00a Breakfast Jim Jones 8:19a 8:23a f Edwin Weisl, Sr. - New York City Mr. Arthur Krim - houseguest 8:40a 9:05a Dale Meeks - LBJ Ranch The President asked to speak to Mr. Joe Mashman 9:18a 9:35a Horace Busby to the second floor 9:55a The President, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Nugent and Jim Jones departed the White House

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C	10:00a				Attended Mass at St. Dominic's Catholic Church	
C	10:50a				The President departed the church and went to the	
					Vice President's residence	
					accompanied by the Nugents and JRJ	
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	11:45a	12:02p			mjdr to the second floor	

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	12:00n				The President returned to the ma	nsion,
			-		accompanied by Nugents and JRJ	
0	12:09p	×		f	Mr. Joseph (Joe) Mashman of Be	11 Helicopter Corporation - Ft. Worth, Tex
	12:41p		t		Walt Rostow - returning Rostow's	s 11:20a call
	1:43p	1	t		Charles Maguire	
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	4			74 75		
	2:06p				mf to the second floor. Sgt. Gad	dis was sitting at the table in the
					Center Hall, and no one seemed t	to be around. she asked the Sgt
					where the President was, and he	replied, "in the Treaty Room."
	(i) V				The President was sitting the Tre	eaty Romm at a small oval marble-topped
			-			t (Busby's first draft of the ending for was the only other person in the room.
			T			d, making changes, patting his foot a
						f, clarifying Busby's handwriting, and
						President then told mf to type the
70		7.0-2.42	denime.	10547704		d show it to no one and return it to
-	21	¥ - 1			him with several copies. As he v	
					he took the draft from her hands,	and asked her to waithe then called
					Mrs. Johnson to join him along w	rith the Krims in the West Halland
					Pat and Luciand read the dra	ft aloud to them. There was no comment.

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					Luci fought back tears, Mrs. Johnson seemed engrossed in writing	
					something on a 5x7 White House pad.	
$\overline{\gamma}$	2:15p				LUNCH -	+
	2.130				w/ Mrs. Johnson	
		†			Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Nugent	
					Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krim	
	110				Horace Busby	
					Tiorace Dusby	
	2:40	2:59p	-		Charles Maguire on second floor	
			-			
	2:42p	2:45p				-
-	2:42p	2.430		 	mf to second floor w/ typewritten copy of Busby's first draft. The President was at the lunch table, and took the first copy and	
					began reading it to those at the table.	
				1	began reading it to those at the table.	
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	2:55p				To the Oval Office -	
	2:56p		t		Christian - pl	
	2:57p	3:02p			Watson	
		3:37p			Jones	
	-				Fleming	
		3:03p			Christian	
	3:00p	3:01p			Liz Carpenter	
- 29	3:03p	3:36p			George Christian	1.5.4
-					During this time, the President read his speech for tonight -	
	: ,				using teleprompter and before the cameras.	
	13-2				After he finished, he went to the tickers as the teleprompter was	
					rewound.	
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_	3:30p		t		Walt Rostow - returning his call (Mr. Rostow had called from his hope	+
	E 1/	alds.			while the President was reading his speech and left word)	1
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	3:38p		-		George Christian in	-		
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	3:45p		f		Walt Rostow	-		
			1		(President took this call in mjdr's room)			
					12 vestaent took tills call in injul 8 100m			
	3:47p				To the mansion - and to his bedroom - for NAP			
					after stopping in mjdr's room to ask for "President's Truman's withdrawal rema	arks		
					in 1952 in March." This was Truman's speech to a JJ Dinner pertinent exce	erpts		
					were taken, typed and sent to the ma			
	3:50p		t		Jones - pl			
		:	_					
	3:54p		t		Jones - pl			
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	4 11		-			-		
	4:11p		t		Jones - pl			
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0	4:54p		t		Secy Clifford (6)	-		
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	506p		t		McPherson - pl			
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-	5:15p		t		Tom Johnson - pl			
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	6:50p				Down the elevator w/ Mrs. Johnson and			
					xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	fice.		
					On the elevator, the President said that he was going to practice one more			
					time and that he should get hold of Terry Sanford. Jim explained that			
					Sanford was an airplane, and could not be reached.			
	6:55p				Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krim to office			
					mf typing second draft			
					finished it and took it to Buzz in the Treaty Room			
					After Buzz had read it and was assured that this was his last draft			
					it was at this point that the figure 65	_		
	343				to 52Buzz realized that he had miscounted.			
					mf then started for the officefor the President had already said the			
					first two pages could go to the teleprompter people but met the			
					President at the elevator at			
	7:37p				and the President stopped at the desk where the Sergeatn usually sits			
					in the Center Hall, and looked at this final draft. Once more, he made			
					changes. He asked mf to get Buzz who was in the Treaty Room he			
					joined. People were milling about. Pat walked through the Hall			
		*			Mrs. Johnson went to her roomMr. and Mrs. Krim were sitting			
					at a card table in the West Hall The President then told mf to			
					go ahead with the changes. mf asked if she could now give the first			
8					two pages to the telephampet teleprompter people, and the			
					President replied in the affirmative.			
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					mf to office gave kincetxix last two pages to the teleprompter people.			
	7:43p				Mr. and Mrs. Steve Martini to the			
					second floor - waited for a bit			
	7:55p				Marvin Watson to second floor	1		
	8:05p		t		Walt Rostow			
C	8:07p		f		General Earle Wheeler	=		
	8:10p				JRJ took the last page of the draft which mf had been holding			
	100				to the mansion and asked the President if he was ready for it to go to the teleprompter people. He replied in the affirmative,			
	grion -	42			and Jim took it to the teleprompter people.			
	Magazini	# 有 #		79.7	mf then went to the press office to type the ending to the speech on			
-		-	+		soft white bond. After finishing, she made one xerox for the			
					President had sent instructions that he wanted 30 copies available for quick press handout after the speech.			
	j:				Final pages of the President's speech were put in the President's speech book at 8:55p			
C	8:25p				Secy and Mrs. Clark Clifford to the second floor			
240	8:33p				Mr. and Mrs. Walt Rostow to second floor			
	8:42p				The President to the Oval Office w/	T. G.Y.		
					Marvin Watson	1		
	LLand		-		Walt Rostow			
					and Jim Jones			

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	8:45p				Luci and Pat to the West Wing - and to the Oval Office	
	8: 52p				Mrs. Johnson to the Oval Office	
	8:52p				Secy Clifford and Horace Busby to the	
					West Wing Secy Clifford watched the first 20xxxinuxx 10 minutes of the speech in mjdr's room w/ mf	
	8:56p				Lynda to Oval Office	
	9:00p				Walt Rostow to second floor	
0	9:01p				REMARKS to the Nation	
					(live television) The President's family was with him in the Oval Office	
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	17				After his speech, the President and his family, walked out the	
					door of his office, down the colonnade. Stopped to invite mf to dinner and saw that she was watching television. He got interested	_
	*				and came in the office and said, "What are they saying?" and then	
					decided to go into his little room to watch all three networks followed by Mrs. Johnson, Luci and Pat and Lynda.	
2	9:46p			f	Mayor Richard Daley - Chicago The President took the call from the lounge, and the Mayor said, "We'r	e agina to
					draft you. You dropped the biggest bombshell by announcing that you will sometime to the state of the state o	

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					be a candidate for nomination for another term as my President."	
a	9:49p			f	The Vice President - Mexico City	
0	9:50p			f	Governor John Connally - Austin, Tex	
	9:58p				William S. White called talked to Jim Jones' office	
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	10.05					
	10:05p				The President and Mrs. Johnson to the second	+
					floor accompanied by Secy Clifford	+
	10:07p				The Presidentasked for Secy Rusk he was in the air -	
	E 100				Walt Rostow talked on the call later in the evening	+
	10:08p		ET 3	4.8 E	mf to the second floor -	
					the President was in the West Hall wearing his blue turtle neck shirt,	
					w/ Mrs. Johnson,	
					Secy and Mrs. Clark Clifford	
					Hon. and Mrs. Walt Rostow	
					Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Nugent	
	i				and Lynda	
					Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krim	+
0	-10:15p	10:47p			Hon Leonard Marks	
		10:47p			Mr. Douglass Cater	
					and Okamoto to the second floor	1715/20
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C	10:11p	Mrs. Eugene McCarthy in Milwaukee, Wisc. (6)	-			
	10:13p				Justice Fortas called - talked to Jim Jones	
					The President took many of these calls in his bedroomothers	
					he took while sitting in the West Hall.	
0	10:14p		f		Hon. Willard Deason	
					The President told Deason "polish up on your dominoes, we're going to be happy, and give my love to Jeannie."	
	10:20p		t		Harry McPherson -	
					telling him to get busy on a speech for tomorrow -	
					Chicago, Natl Assoc of Broadcasters	
	10:25p	12:35p			Mr. and Mrs. Simon McHugh to secondfloor	
2	10:26p		f		Secretary Wirtz (b,)	
	10:26p	10:40p			Mike Manatos	
Q			11.0	Pop	and Secy and Mrs. Wilbur Cohen to second floor	-
-0-11-3						+
2	10:27p			f	Bill Moyers - Long Island	
					in bedroom	
C	10:30p			f	Senator John Sparkman, Huntsville, Ala. (b.)	
Q	10:36p		f		Senator Clinton Anderson	
?	10:33p		f		George Reedy	-
	10:45p				Talullah Bakkhead called - talked to Jim Jones	

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	10:45p				mjdr to second floor	
	10;50p				DINNER - on trays in West Hall - people milling about	
_0	10:51p			f	Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby and Mrs. George Brown - Houston, Tex	
	10:54p			Georg	ge Christian to the second floor - the President greeted him by saying, "George you get yourself a drink,"the President appeared to think that GC needed one	
0	10:57p			f	Mariallen Moursund - Round Mountain, Tex -	
					President said, "Tell Jessie (Hunter) that I love her " and Mrs. Johnson	n
					took the phone to say he lloff also	
	1 0: 58p			f	Dr. Frank Stanton, New York City (b)	
0	11:00p				The President to the Yellow Oval Room	
	90. 1	11:40p			for PRESS CONFERENCE	
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	11:06p			f	Amb. Goldberg - NY C	
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~	ll:llp			f	E. Palmer Hoyt, Denver, Colo.	
9	11:15p		f		William S. White	
					(there is some problem reconciling these calls with the Press conference	
			-		time and the operator's time on their log. The President did talk on them.	
		9	-		but from his bedroom,and we think that because the switchboard was	ļ
			-		so crwoded and flooded, there was some discrepancy.)	-
					snatches of conversation:	
					Arthur Krim, trying to be humorous, "Now you don't have to make	
			-		that California comm tment, and we don't have to worry about Indiana."	
					Okie taking pictures most people talking in small goups in low tones.	
	1				Somebody said it sounded and looked like a funeral parlor. The only one	
					evidencing any enthusiasm was the President and the President spent	
					much of this time on the telephone.	
					Lynda told the President that today Chuck received \$500 pay tax free as	
	1				a result of being in Vietnam. Secy Clifford joined in the discussion, and	
					the President explained that wonderful things have been done. "If the	
					Marines are in there shooting and they ask for air cover, now the man	
					who picks up the phone is off the ground in five minutes. I dusant xbooks	
					sure don't want any delay, and want to give them all the help I can. "	
					Wilbur Cohen and his wife stopped by to say goodnight"Im' working	
				0	on a house for you in Johnson City, " said the President" you and	
					your wife can live there." He told the group, "Wilbur was a friend of	
					mine before anybody else ever knew him. " Cohen replied. "You're a great	ŧ

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					President, we xxix xxxxxxxxxxx wish you could be our President for four	
			-		more years."	4
					Lynda quips, "Can I go to England now?"	
					Lynda talking to Secy Clifford about R and R for Chuck President	
					needles her"Yes, and if he re-enlists, he gets another R & R." laughter.	
					Lynda talking about London, and encouraging her mother to go to the Greek Isles.	+
					Mrs. Johnson having her dinner Walt Rostow on the floor at her knees, talking quietly to her.	
+ 1/2	g i i bas				President talking on the phoneclenching and unchenching his fist,	
	11: UP	1 = 20 E	-	-0	and patting his foot.	
					He asked mjdr about his chocolate dessert was it dietic?	
					He told Vicky McHugh that one of the things which motivated his decision was that he wanted to have more time to babysit.	=
					And just before going into the Yellow Oval Room for press conference, he invited Secy Clifford to go with him"Do you want to go in here and subject yourself to a little scrutiny?"	
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	11:17p				Sargent Shriver called the President, , , talked to mf		
					"I know your switchboard is swamped I'm at home just sick		
					I want to express my regrets and my sorrow I'd be honored if he		
					could call me back, but I don't want to bother him."		
:20p	ppkxx9	11:47p			Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Watson and Larry Temple to second floor		
	11:21p				Governor Nelson Rockefeller called the President talked tomf		
					"Tell him that Happy and I watched him, we thought he was fabulous,		
					his friends are with him 100%. He's a great patriot, we're both devoted		
					to him and just wanted to reach out to him at this time."		
	11:30p				Warrie Lynn Smith to second floor		
	11:38p				Ernest Goldstein called the Presidenttalked to mf		
				-	just offering love and support. am in the officewant to help	-	
	11:39p				Cong Jack Brooks called the President - from Beaumont, Texas		
					talked to mfin the Center Hall		
					but as the President walked out of the Yellow Oval Romm, he took the		
					phone and talked to the Congressman	-	
	11:40p	11:47p			Charles Maguire, Bill Blackburn and Jack McNulty to second floor - standing are	ound in	
					Center Hall		
					Greeted Marian and Marvin Watson who were standing in the Center Hall.		
					He told Marian he thought she was the prettiest thing he'd ever seen,		
					and that he had seen a good phot ograph of her the other day. He read some		
					papers which MW was carrying in his hand	-	
					and then went back in the kixing xxxxxxxx West Hall		
					joining		
					the Krims,		
			2		Cliffords		
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					and Nugents		
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-		1	1		and then watched Ray Scherer as he broadcast remarks on what happened in the	+-				
7					Yellow Oval Room.	1				
					Tellow Oval Room.	+-				
	11:59p			t	Governor Nelson Rockefeller - NYC - (b)					
					returning his call					
					(took this call in the Bedroom					
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	11:59p				C. P. Little called the President - talked to Willie Day Taylor					
-	12:10a				Back to West Hall	+				
-	12.10a		 		Greeted Warrie LynnSmith laughing, "I thought you were off getting	+				
-	-	0	-		Married what happened to that Davidson fellow?"	+				
-	12:12a	de les		10.73	Cliffords out					
-	12.12a				The President joxikoexk with joked with Mr. Krim khoex I may have to	100				
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-			-		learn to drive that helicopter now.	+				
				The President chuckled and said that "Now Nelson Rockefeller is						
					reassessing things."					
					the notice with established by the sense of statement in the be-					
					Talking about hisannouncement he said," I never was any surer of any dec	isio				
					I ever made in my life, and I never made any more unselfish one. I have					
					525,000 men whose very lives depend on what I do, and I can't worry about	ıtı				
					the primaries. Now I will be working full time for those men out there.					
dog		t prima a como	S rate of		I don't need to worry, and the only guys that won't be back here by the tim	ie				
			624	SP-TZ	my term ends is are the guys that a left in the last day or two. I think	1237				
					the boys there will be glad that I'm working for them."					
-			-		Lynda told her Daddy that she thought that some of theboys might get	+				

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	discouraged when they heard the announcement, and the President							
					took care of her fears by saying again that he thought they would be			
					glad to know he was working full time for them. "Don't worry about			
					the boys," he said, "they'll do better than most of us."			
	12:15p			-	Tom Johnson out	_		
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	12:45p		-		Jim Jones, George Christian, Marie Fehmer and Juanita Roberts out			
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	1:00a				retired			
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					HOUSEGUESTS:			
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