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					The President also read a memo from Rostow outlining the difficulties that Rostow sees this morning with South VietNam. When the President finished the memo, he asked to talk to Rostow on the telephone, but we could not get him before landing at Andrews--made arrangements to talke from Air Force One.	
	9:30a				Wheels down - Andrews Air Force One Base..... The President went directly to the plane, but at the very top step, a gush of wind caught the President's hat, and it went spiraling down...toward the puddles neath the tail of the plane. a staff member retrieved the hat, and brought it aboard.	
	9:33a		t		Walt Rostow - re memo mentioned above	
					After his telephone call, the President went into his bedroom...	
C	9:39a				Air Force One departed Andrews Air Force Base - en route Chicago, Illinois w/ the President Dr. George Burkley Commander Sam Latimer Photographers: Yoichi Okamoto, William Bisher Sgt. Marshall Gaddis George Christian Tom Johnson Loyd Hackler Connie Gerrard Dr. Frank Stanton Ray Zook, Sgt. Jack Cliff Sgt. Robert Recco Sam Houston Johnson Larry Temple Marie Fehmer	

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✓					Jim Jones	
					Horace Busby	
					Douglass Cater	
					Jeri Rudolph (stenotypist)	
					Secret Service Agents:	
					Robert Taylor	
					Dale Keaner	
					Charles Zboril	
					Robert Melchiori	
					David Baldelli	
					John P. Jones	
✓					PRESS:	
					Merriman Smith, UPI	
					Helen Thomas, UPI	
					Doug Cornell, AP	
					Frank Cormier, AP	
					David Mathew, Reuters	
					Max Frankel, NY Times	
					Dick McGowan, NY Daily News	
					Nick Thimmesch, Newsday	
					George Packard, Philadelphia Bulletin	
					Muriel Dobbin, Baltimore Sun	
					Garnett Horner, Washington Star	
					Carroll Kilpatrick, Washington Post	
					Bill Eaton, Chicago Daily News	
					Jim Millstone, St. Louis Post Dispatch	
					Ted Sell, Los Angeles Times	
					John Pierson, Wall Street Journal	
					Karen Klinefelter, Dallas News	
					Saville Davis, Christian Science Monitor	

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					Jack Sutherland, U S News and World Report	
					Hugh Sidey, Time	
					Chuck Roberts, Newsweek	
					Sid Davis, Westinghouse	
					Dan Rather, CBS	
					Bob Pierpoint, CBS	
					Bob Amdur, ABC Productions	
					Duff Thomas, ABC	
					Frank Reynolds, ABC	
					Ray Scherer, NBC	
					Scott Peters, UPI Audio	
					Clifford Evans, RKO General	
					Forrest Boyd, Mutual	
					Faye Gillis Wells, Storer	
					Larry LeSueur, VOA	
					Aldo Argentieri, NBC Radio	
					Glen Bowman, CBS Radio	
					Bob Moore, Metromedia	
					Stanley Stearns, UPI photographer	
					Bob Daugherty, AP Photos	
					Francis Miller, Life Photos	
					Wally Bennett, Time Photos	
					Don Carl Steffen, Paris Match	
					Ed Gilman, ABC-TV	
					Art Lodovichetti, ABC-TV	
					Cal Marlin, CBS-TV	
					Charles Franks, CBS-TV	
					George Grant, UPI newsfilm	
					Jack Schultz, UPI newsfilm	
					LeRoy Anderson, NBC-TV	
					John Hofen, nbc-TV	
					and Cleve Ryan, lighting technician	

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					Soon after takeoff, the President ordered the walls of his bedroom drawn back, and this enabled a large area -- open -- in addition to his usual cabin space. Stewards quickly removed bedroom aspects -- they had made up the two single beds -- and turned the entire area into a living room.	
					Soon after getting in the air, the President came out of his room, coatless and with speech cards in his hands. He looked for Horace Busby, and Busby came to him, and the two men talked intently (Pres told Busby to "beef up" the speech.)	
					The President then went to his table -- still coatless and sat in his usual chair.... facing Dr. Frank Stanton who had been on the plane when the President arrived.	
					In and out of the cabin during the flight were Douglass Cater Tom Johnson Horace Busby Jim Jones Dr. Frank Stanton Larry Temple	
					The President then read the flimsy copy of his press conference last night in the Yellow Oval Room of the mansion.... and gave Larry Temple two instructions as a result.... "call Governor Connally and read him selected parts." and "get that fellow from Chicago whom I was supposed to see tomorrow... and if he's in Chicago today, get him to meet us, and we can talk there."	
					The President had a cup of Sanka, a cup of tea w/ cream and sugar and a honey bun.	

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1	10:20a			F	<p>Senator Walter Mondale</p> <p>The President talked from the telephone at his table... and doodled on a scratch pad in front of him.</p> <p>After finishing his conversation, back to Busby to watch him making revisions/ additions to the speech... then to his room.</p>	
	11:40a				<p>The President read Busby's final typed copy of addition to speech... he called for Busby, made additional changes, and other suggestions... and added a bit just received on the wire about Thieu coming to the U. S. Rostow had suggested that this be put in the speech, and the President personally edited the Rostow wire for insert in speech.</p> <p>Just prior to landing - at George Christian's suggestion - the President walked through the front cabin of the plane -- filled to the brim with press -- he just casually strolled through, coatless and relaxed, and went all the way up to the front, even allowing photographers to follow him into pilot's cabin.</p> <p>He then returned quickly to his cabin for landing</p>	

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✓	10:18	CST			Arrived Chicago, Illinois - O'hare --a lovely day, sunny, warm -- almost 50 degrees a small crowd at the airport -- approx 200..... Down the rear steps of the aircraft --small receiving line consisting of Hon. Richard Daley, Mayor of Chicago Cong. Daniel Rostenkowski	
✓	10:25	CST			Motorcade to Conrad-Hilton Hotel, downtown Chicago-- President accompanied by Mayor Daley, Cong. Rostenkowski, Dr. Frank Stanton, and Jim Jones A good number of people along the route -- which had not been publicized -- some homemade signs along the way, one -- "LBJ is a great American." Several factories had let their employees out to see the President, and they welcomed him graciously.	

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C	10:55	CST			Arrived Conrad Hilton Hotel - wonderful crowd outside--warm welcome--approx 2,000.....	
Advance Man:					and seemingly twice that many inside. They cheered the President and gave him a very enthusiastic and genuine welcome. h	
Marty Underwood					The President walked into the hotel w/ Mayor Daley-- and walked up a circular staircase to the grand ballroom--	
					At a landing, the President paused, and turned and waved to the crowd -- great cheers.....	
					..cheers of a people honoring a heroic President.	
✓					The President walked up the stairs - and to a small anteroom to freshen up before going into the Grand Ballroom. The party proceeded quickly to the ballroom, and the President "stood in the wings," as the man who was speaking finished up quickly, obviously just having received the signal that the President had arrived. To the sounds of "Hail to the Chief," and the words, "Ladies and Gentlemen, the President of the United States," the President walked on the stage.... a standing ovation and warm warm welcome	
Mr. Vincent T. Wasilewski is President, NAB				and a few minutes later, the	
					President was introduced for his	
C	11:00	11:27			REMARKS to	
					the 46th Annual Convention of the National Association of Broadcasters	
					The President was interrupted by appluase only once--when reference was made to the Government's not being allowed to infringe on the rights of the broadcasting industry. But the President said later today, "it was not a speech which had applause lines in it, it was eloquent, and I think they listened to it."	
					After his remarks--a standing ovation.	

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C	11:31	CST			After his speech, the President departed the platform, and went immediately to his car, walking the same way out of the hotel that he had entered. The crowds were still there--and they cheered again. Motorcade departed the Conrad Hilton Hotel - President accompanied by Mayor Richard Daley Cong. Daniel Rostenkowski Dr. Frank Stanton and a man from Chicago who is being considered for the post of U.S. Attorney there -- Thomas Forand	
C	12:05	CST			Arrived O'Hare Intl Airport - and to the aircraft -- and to his cabin w/ Mzyor Daley Cong. Rostenkowski Dr. Frank Stanton Thomas Forand and Col. Jack Reilly (Mayor Daley's AA) -- for meeting. (AF l had to remain on the ground for at least 30 minutes to enable press to catch up with motorcade...they had remained behind to file, but were delayed even more by an accident which put their bus out of commission and another had to be secured.) The President began speaking to the men in low tones, butx and their faces showed concern, but shortly, the President began to laugh, and just his demeanor and his confidence began to show through and was transferred to his audience.	

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①					Mayor Daley's two sons, <i>William and John</i> came aboard -- and the President greeted them, and gave them them two sets of playing cards. aboard Air Force One When all the press was loaded, the President said goodbye to his guests. He walked the Mayor to the rear door of the aircraft, and then stood on the steps waving goodbye, as the photographers took pictures of the farewell.	
C	1:16	CST			Air Force One departed O'Hare Intel Airport, Chicago - en route Andrews Air Force Base Manifest Manifest was the same with the following exceptions: REMOVE: Garnett Horner - stayed in Chicago ADD: Martin (Marty) Underwood and SS Agents: Iacovoni, Hamilton Hamilton, Hill, Nelson, DeProspero, Gleason, Leffler	

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	3:40	EST			Wheels down at Andrews Air Force ONE Base -	
	3:46	EST			The President departed AAFB via helicopter - accompanied by Horace Busby, George Christian, Tom Johnson Dr. Frank Stanton Douglass Cater Dr. George Burkley JRJ, mf, Larry Temple Sam Houston Johnson Wesley King Sgt. Kenny Gaddis aboard, the President asked for the Chicago papers which had been on Air Force One--he read them during the flight.	
	3:55p	EST			Arrived South Lawn - greeted by Yuki - President to the second floor	

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✓	4:03p		F		Senator J. W. Fulbright (b)	
	5:10p		f		Col. Cross	
	5:37p				The President to Jim Jones' office	
	5:39p				The President into Marvin Watson's office	
✓	5:40p	6:37p			Oval Office w/ Henry Luce, Tom Steele <i>Time-Life Inc. Vice-President of</i> John Tom Steele <i>Bureau Chief, TIME Magazine</i> Tom Johnson	OFF RECORD
					Mr. Luce flew here from England for a brief visit w/ the President to thank him for the President's courtesy to Luce's father.	
✓	6:37p	7:46p			Oval Off- Walt Rostow Momyer out at 7:46p and General William W. Momyer -- He is Deputy Commander, MACV, for Air (Rostow briefing memo to DT) Operations and Commander, Seventh Air Force, Rostow out PACAF	
		7:45p				

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	7:04p				President called Juanita and asked that she get Pat on the phone Pat was talking with Lucy and was at the Lindow's home. (15 minutes away). President said he still wanted Pat to come to White House.	
7	7:20p	7:46p			Pat Nugent into Oval Office.	
C	7:47p	8:06p			Secretary Fowler into Oval Office.	
	8:00 p		f		Walt Rostow	
C	8:06p	8:26p			William S. "Bill" White into Oval Office OFF RECORD	
C	8:12p	8:15p			The Hon. Governor Governor of South Carolina Robert McNair/ into Oval Office for hand shake	
C	8:22p		f		Senator Fred Harris of Oklahoma	
	8:26p				Diana in--signed papers on signing table	
	8:39p		t		George Christian at the Blair House	
C	9:00 p	9:07p			* William H. Clark, III of Dallas into Oval Office OFF RECORD	
	9:05p				Diana bring me a picture of me and Yuki	
	9:10p				President into mjdr's office and found more letters to be signed.	
	9:40p				He went back into office to sign and called diana in. To the mansion for dinner	
					Asked me to call Col. Albright and inquire about tv shows tonight. Col. Albright called the President to tell him.	

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					joining Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Donald (Diana) MacArthur on the second floor	
C	9:42p			t	Governor Buford Ellington - Nashville, Tennessee	
	9:48p		f		Col. Jack Albright	
C	9:50p				DINNER - w/ Mrs. Johnson Mrs. Donald MacArthur	
C	9:51p		t		Hon. Sargent Shriver	
C	10:06p			f	Richard Berlin - New York City	
C	10:37p		f		Justice Abe Fortas	
	11:30p				retired	

