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JULY 24, 1967 - 10:35 a.m.

REPRESENTATIVE TO SEND TO DETROIT

Secretary McNamara Abe Fortas George Christian

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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July 24, 1967 6:30 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Tom

FROM: Tom Johnson

Here are the notes of your meeting with Secretary McNamara, Mr. Abe Fortas, and Mr. George Christian, in the Mansion on July 24, 1967.

The meeting began at 10:35 a.m. The meeting ended at 11:12 a.m.

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SECRETARY McNAMARA MR. ABE FORTAS MR. GEORGE CHRISTIAN

IN THE MANSION July 24, 1967

The President agreed with a recommendation by Secretary McNamara that Mr. Cyrus Vance was the best qualified individual to head a Federal team to be sent to Detroit. Secretary McNamara called Mr. Vance at 10:50. Mr. Vance agreed to go to Detroit.

At 10:58, the President received a memorandum from Joseph A. Califano, concerning a request by Governor Romney for Federal troops. The President read the wire and passed it to Secretary McNamara and Mr. Fortas. The President then called Mr. Wright in the White House Message Center to ask if the actual wire from Governor Romney had yet been received. The President was advised that the wire was sent from Michigan at 10:46 a.m. and arrived at the White House at 10:56 a.m.

At 11:02 the President directed Secretary McNamara to prepare troops for movement. At 11:03 Secretary McNamara told Secretary Rezor to load the troops on the aircraft.

The President reviewed a statement drafted by Mr. Abe Fortas. He suggested changes and asked that George Christian read over the proposed statement. The President then went with Secretary McNamara, Mr. Fortas, Mr. Christian and Tom Johnson to the Oval Office, arriving at 11:12 a.m.

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