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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

CON SENTIMIENTOS DEL MAS ALTO APRECIO ACOJO Y AGRADEZCO
SU EXPRESIVO MENSAJE DE FELICITACION CON MOTIVO DE MI ELECCION
A LA PRESIDENCIA DE VENEZUELA COMA DESDE LA CUAL ME ESFORZARE
EN TODO MOMENTO POR ROBUSTECER LOS LAZOS DE SINCERA
AMISTAD Y MUTUA COMPRENSION QUE UNEN NUESTROS DOS PAISES
Y CONTRIBUIR A LA REALIZACION DE LOS ALTOS IDEALES DE FRATERNIDAD

COMA JUSTICIA Y PAZ COMA QUE CONSTITUYEN ASPIRACIONES FUNDAMENTALES E INAPLAZABLES DE NUESTROS PUEBLOS PUNTO ATENTAMENTE

RAFAEL CALDERA PRESIDENTE ELECTO DE VENEZUELA

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Dear Mr. Stevens:

Thank you for your kindness in sending the President a folder of snapshots which you took when he and Mrs. Johnson visited Costa Rica. He appreciates your friendliness in providing these particular mementos of that occasion.

Although I hesitate to ask the President to comply with autograph requests right now, due to his extremely busy schedule, I have enclosed one of his photographs signed earlier during a free moment. I hope it will please you.

With the President's cordial good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Juanita D. Roberts Personal Secretary to the President

Mr. James D. Stevens, Jr.
Associate Director
Peace Corps
United States Embassy
Caracas, Venezuela

Enclosure (2 unsigned photos retd; 8 x 10 signed photo of President)

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Dear Ambassador and Mrs. Tejera-Paris:

Your departure saddens the Johnson family, but the arrival of your message of congratulations honors us at the same time.

Thank you so much for remembering us on this happy occasion.

Sincerely,

His Excellency and Mrs. Enrique xTejera-Paris
Embassy of Venezuela
2443 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20008

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Bern, Switzerland

In Destroy

October 8, 1968

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Dr. Romulo Betancourt, the former President of Venezuela, who now resides in Bern, Switzerland at Kollerweg 5a, 3006, has asked me to forward a letter to you. He also wishes you to know that he regards his correspondence with you as confidential and he intends no public notice.

I have the pleasure of enclosing President Betancourt's letter.

Yours very respectfully,

John S. Hayes

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I. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT JOHNSON TO PRESIDENT LEONI:

QUOTE: THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON MY BIRTHDAY. I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS AND EXTEND TO YOU MY WARM PERSONAL REGARDS.

SINCERELY,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON END QUOTE

2. FOLLOWING, FYI, IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT LEONI TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON:

QUOTE: ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR EXCELLENCY S BIRTHDAY I TRANSMIT

SINCERELY,

RAUL LEONI END QUOTE

3. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN RELEASE OF REPLY BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF PRESIDENT LEONI WISHES TO DO SO.

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SUBJ: REGULATIONS GOVERNING FURNISHING OF WHITE HOUSE

TO DEPARTMENT POUCHING TODAY (A) PUBLIC LAW 87-286 PROVIDING FOR CARE AND PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC AND ARTISTIC CONTENTS OF WHITE HOUSE (B) EXECUTIVE ORDER 11145, ESTABLISHING COMMITTEE FOR PERSERVATION OF WHITE HOUSE (C) SAMPLE LETTER AND CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION GIVEN TO DONORS OF FURNISHINGS FOR WHITE HOUSE AN HISTORIC GUIDE UNQUOTE DISCUSSING HISTORY OF EFFORTS TO IMPROVE AND PRESERVE WHITE HOUSE FURNISHINGS.

2. ADVISE IF PRESIDENT LEONI'S OFFICE REQUIRES ANY FURTHER INFORMATION. RUSK



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1. PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT LEGNI IN RESPONSE TO CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE ON OCCASION OF INDEPENDENCE DAY:

QUOTE

MY SINCERE THANKS FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE. THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES SHARE MY HOPE THAT THE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO PROSPER IN THE YEARS: TO COME.

### SINCERELY

LYNDON B. JOHNSON: UNQUOTE

- 2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE THE REPLY BUT HAS:
- 3. FOLLOWING: IS: TEXT OF PRESIDENT LEONI'S MESSAGE: TO THE PRESIDENT:

QUOTE

CON MOTIVO DE CELEBRAR HOY VUESTRO PAIS UN NUEVO ANIVERSARIO DE LA INDEPENDENCIA COMA TENGO A HONRA HACER

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RAUL LEONI PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA

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This is to confirm your invitation to the signing of the Nonproliferation Treaty at the White House on Monday, July 1, 1968, at 11:30A.M. Please present this wire at the northwest gate at 11:15 A.M. for admittance for your wire and yourself.

Sherwin J. Markman, Assistant to the President

MICHALOWSKI, Jerzy, Ambassador of Poland
IYALLA, Joe, Ambassador of Nigeria
GUERASSIMOV, Luben N., Ambassador of Bulgaria
TEJERA-PARIS, Enrique, Ambassador of Venezuela
SEVILLA-SACASA, Guillermo, Ambassador of Nicaragua
PASTOR, Ceiso, Ambassador of Peru
NHAN, Nguyen Van, Embassy of Viet Nam
LARA, Ricardo, Embassy of Costa Rica
JUNE 28, 1968

You are cordially invited to attend the signing of the Nonproliferation Treaty at the White House on Monday, July 1, at 11:30A.M. Please present this wire at the northwest gate at 11:15A.M. for admittance and confirm your attendance by return wire.

Sherwin J. Markman, Assistant to the President.

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PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT RAUL LEONI

- 10 QTE THE TRAGIC AND UNTIMELY DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY HAS COME AS A GREAT SHOCK TO ALL! AMERICANS. OF THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES, I EXPRESS MY DEEPEST APPRE-CIATION FOR YOUR WORDS OF SYMPATHY.
- 20 OTE THE KNOWLEDGE THAT YOUR COUNTRYMEN SHARE OUR GRIEF IS A SOURCE OF SHEAT COMFORT AND CONSOLATION. I SHALL TRANSMIT YOUR MESSAGE TO MRS. KENNEDY AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATOR S: FAMILY. LYNDON B. JOHNSON UNDTE
- 3. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE MESSAGE, BUT HAS NO. OBJECTION TO RELEASE BY PRESIDENT LEONI.
- FOLLOWING, FYI, IS (ENGLISH) TEXT OF PRESIDENT LEONI'S MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT:

DEEPLY MOVED BY THE GRAGIC DEATH OF SENATOR ROBERT FO KENNEDYS I WISH TO CONVEY TO THE NOBLE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO YOUR EXCELLENCY'S GOVERNMENT THE HEARTFELT EXPRES-SIGNS OF CONDOLENCE OF THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA. AS WELL AS MY OWN. RAUL LEDNIG UNDTED RUSK

### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 22, 1968

MEMO FOR JIM JONES

SUBJECT: Foreign Visits

Bill Bowdler tells me that we can release the dates for the visits of President Frei (July 24-25) and President Leoni (Dec. 11-12) from the President's schedule. We may, however, want to make some substitutions during that time frame. I will keep you advised.

Lou Schwartz

cc: Bill Bowdler Bess Abell

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The President hopes you can join him for a stag luncheon honoring H.E. The Secretary General of the OAS, Dr. Jose A.Mora and the Assistant Secretary General, Mr. William Sanders on Friday, May 10, 1968 at one o'clock, The White House. Formal invitations follows. Please RSVP by return wire or telephone the Social Entertainments Office 456-2511.

The Social Secretary The White House

Destn on all of the following is Wash., D.C..

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The Ambassador of the Argentine Republic
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The Brazilian Rep. to the Council of CAS
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The Ambassador of Uruguay
The Rep. of Venezuela to the Council of
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The Secretary of State
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DE SANTAMARIA, Carlos Sanz, Inter-Ame
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HORWITZ, Abraham, Pan American Health
Organization

SAYRE, Robert M., State
WHITEMAN, Marjorie M., State
COLLADO, Emilio G., Standard Oil Co. N.J.
BARLOW, William F., Council for Latin
America Inc.

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The Social Secretary. The White House.

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BALGOOYEN, Henry W., American & Foreign Power Co. Inc.

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BEIRNE, Joseph A., Communications Workers of America BILHEIMER, Robert S., National Council of Churches

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Dear Mr. President:

April 22, 1968

Dear Mr. Pr

His Excellency
Dr. Raul Leoni
President of the
Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

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I wish to extend the greetings and good wishes of all my countrymen to the people of Venezuela as you inaugurate the "ATOMS IN ACTION" Nuclear Science Demonstration Center in Caracas.

This Center is much more than a fascinating exposition to acquaint the general public with progress in the peaceful applications of nuclear science. It is an operating laboratory where your scientists and curs work side by side on projects of great promise to the health and prosperity of Venezuela. It is a classroom where your teachers can prepare their students to face the challenges of tomorrow's world. It is a meeting ground where your professional people may find ways to expand their valuable services with the aid of nuclear tools.

May the resulting exchange of helpful experience, and the development of improved solutions for common problems enhance the mutual respect and understanding that is so vital to the well-being of both our peoples.

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CC: Juanita Roberts, Will Sparks, Fliska Hasek, Loyd Hackler,
Mary Hooper, CF. See 3-12-68

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE PRESIDENT

Tuesday, February 13, 1968

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On Wednesday, February 14, I will be going to Maracay, Venezuela, as Vice Chairman of the American Delegation to the Fifth Meeting of the Inter-American Cultural Council of the OAS. Although the meeting will run for eight days, I plan to return to Washington on Sunday, February 18.

The purpose of the meeting will be to attempt to create a permanent organization to carry out (a) the education and (b) the science and technology programs set forth by the Presidents in the Declaration of Punta del Este.

In accordance with your desire, I have told Ambassador Oliver that you consider these programs of high priority and that we should be forthcoming and not hang back because of possible Congressional cuts in the AID budget. Ambassador Linowitz concurs in this approach.

x Sol

Donald F. Hornig

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1. PLEASE REPORT FOLLOWING TO JOHN CONNALLY:

HAVE MET WITH THREE PRESIDENTS. WILL SEE LEONI ON VENEZUELA THURSDAY .

2. PRESIDENT ONGANIA, ARGENTINA. VERY BLEAK. WAS NON-COMMITTAL, SUGGEST SWIFT FOLLOW-UP BY AMB. Colores 47. MARTIN PLUS PERSONAL CABLE BY YOU TO ONGANIA. TIME IS VERY SHORT AND ONGANIA'S AIDES DON'T BELIEVE THEY CAN PUT TOGETHER ANYTHING BY APRIL.

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20 PRESIDENT GESTIDO, URUGUAY. GOOD RECEPTION BELIEVE THEY WILL GO. RECOMMEND CABLE BY YOU TO AMBASSADOR, HOYT FOR FOLLOW-UP.

3. PRESIDENT COSTA E SILVA, BRAZIL. THEY WILL NOT GO, LACK OF DULLARS AND LACK OF TIME ARE REASONS. PRESIDENT WAS FRIENDLY BUT HONEST. TOO LATE NOW HE SAID TO DO ANYTHING OF QUALITY. TUTHILL, John W.

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You are invited to attend the signing of H.R. 5894, an act to remove restrictions on the careers of female officers in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps, at the White House on Wednesday, November 8, reception follows. Present this telegram at the northwest gate at 11:00 A.M. for admission and confirm your acceptance by return wire.

W. Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President.

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October 2, 1967

Dear Senor Salas:

I was most pleased to receive from Ambassador Bernbaum a color photograph of the oil portrait which you did of me and which you so graciously presented to our Embassy in Caracas.

Please accept my personal thanks and my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Sr. Rafael Salas Yepez Caracas Venezuela

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Photo of President, matted, inscribed To Rafael Salas Yepez

With best wishes

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Lyndon B. Johnson

I to Mr. Rostova Office 5 g.m. for transition to State 10-5-67.

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

Ernest Goldstein

SUBJECT: Dinner Table Opinions and Observations

Last night Peg and I had dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bregman.

Among the things said during the evening that might be of interest are the following:

Edward McCormack -- He said that the Speaker had prepared a very interesting research paper on opposition to Presidents in time of war. The Speaker was undecided as to whether he should use the material for a speech or an article. Edward McCormack argued against its use on the ground that to be effective one must also cite specific current examples of opposition to you and quotations condemming you. (The material in question is without a doubt the paper that you have had prepared.)

The Ambassador of Venezuela -- He said that the recent Middle East crisis had created a serious problem for his government because public opinion was almost unanimously for Israel. The Venezuelan government, because of its arrangements with the Arab oil producing countries, was therefore placed in a most difficult position.

Congressman Matsunaga -- He said that you were the most popular man in Hawaii.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: The Middle East and the Latin American Countries

During the past several weeks, while the United Nations General Assembly has been trying to hammer out an acceptable resolution on the Middle East, one thing has become increasingly clear to me: The solidity of the Latin American bloc and the Latin American cooperation with us at the United Nations on the Arab-Israel problem are, I believe, a direct result of what you accomplished at Punta del Este and the efforts we have been making to build the relationships in this hemisphere.

Time and again during past weeks, various Latin American Ambassadors - as well as President Frei of Chile and President Leoni of Venezuela when I visited them - commented to me about their desire to work with the United States under your leadership in the Middle East situation. There was frequent reference to the fact that inter-American cooperation in an issue of such fundamental importance to world peace is in precisely the spirit you exemplified at Punta del Este and which we have been trying to develop since.

I am, therefore, pleased to report to you that interAmerican multinational relationships are today in excellent
shape, and this is clearly being demonstrated at the CAS and
CIAP - as well as at the United Nations.

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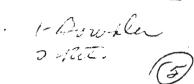
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June 27, 1967

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to President Johnson from former President Rómulo Betancourt of Venezuela

There is enclosed a letter to President Johnson and a translation which accompanied it, dated May 11, 1967, from the former President of Venezuela, Romulo Betancourt, endorsing the candidacy of Dr. Marcos Falcón Briceño, former Foreign Minister of Venezuela, for the position of Secretary General of the Organization of American States. Similar letters have been sent by Mr. Betancourt to the Vice President and to the Secretary of State.

I recommend that a reply along the lines of the enclosed draft be sent by the Secretary of State on behalf of the President and Vice President as well as himself. The Vice President's office agrees with this procedure.

For your information we do not consider Dr. Falcon Briceño as the best qualified person for the position. We do not wish therefore unduly to encourage his candidacy.

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Ly Benjamin H. Read Executive Secretary

### ·Enclosures:

1. Suggested reply.

2. Letter to President Johnson from Rómulo Betancourt, dated May 11, 1967.

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May 9, 1967

Dear Jim:

I have your letter and enclosures of
May 8 concerning the Latin American
Trade Mission of the World Trade Council
of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce. Sexus

I am calling this to the attention of the President.

I know he will be much interested in both the success of the Mission and the cooperation of Administration officials.

Cordially.

Henry H. Wilson, Jr. Administrative Assistant to the President

Honorable Jim Wright
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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# THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

April 27, 1967

Mr. Watson:

When Salzman called re the mission to Caracas, he also said Jake had asked him to take care of a matter with Senator Fulbright.

J.W. He has talked with Fulbright and would like to E report.

I asked him if, since Jake is knowledgeable, he would like to call Jake ---

Said understood no longer with us -- thought should talk to Watson.

(DOUG NOBLES IS SENDING MEMO RE SITUATION ON CARACAS MISSION.)

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Jim, Jake said he had told Arnold Saltzman to call Monday -- and to talk to either WMW or JRJ -- says he is big contributor in NY -- has talked to Fulbright and says he has info to relate.

We will give you the call if you don't mind.

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April 14, 1967

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Dear Mr. President:

It was particularly gratifying for me to confer with you at Punta del Este.

Our meeting served as a personal reminder of your long years of dedication, in exile and in your country, to the cause of constitutional government and the improvement of the social and economic lot of the Venezuelan people.

I am glad that we have been able to arrange promptly a mission to Venezuela to clarify precisely what you need to deal with your guerilla problem and how we can be of help to you.

I leave Uruguay confident that together we achieved a significant result. If the nations of Latin America move forward toward our agreed goals, I am confident the government and people of my country will remain firmly at their side.

I am fully aware that Venezuela has made an outstanding contribution toward both the spirit and letter of the Alliance for Progress in this Hemisphere which merits emulation by us all -- particularly since the achievements realized have been, in most important respect, by dint of Venezuelan direction and the employment of Venezuelan resources.

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Doctor Raul Leoni,
President of the Republic of Venezuela.

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President inscribed "A President's Country" book to the Ambassadors listed on the attached sheet.

These Ambassadors visited the Ranch March 31 - April 2, 1967.

Lucy:

The President inscribed "A President's Country" book to all of the people on whose names appear on the attached slips.

The books were delivered to their respective hotel rooms at the St. Anthony Hotel, San Antonio, Tea

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"To Amb. and Mrs. Paris-Montesinos, Redro from their friend, LBJ!"

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April 11, 1967

Dear Mr. Malone:

Although Mr. Watson is out of the country at the present time. I know that he will appreciate receiving the information that you forward by your letter of April 10. I will make this available to him at the first opportunity.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours.

Cathy Hames

Mr. Michael J. P. Malone 120 Wall Street New York, New York

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EXECUTIVE March 17, 1967 Dear Mr. Ambassador: For some time. Mrs. Johnson and I have wanted to have you and your wife as guests at our home in Texas. Such a visit would also afford an opportunity to meet and talk informally with you and your colleagues about the Inter-American Meeting of Presidents at Punta del Este. With this in mind, Mrs. Johnson and I hope it may be possible for you and Mrs. Tejera-Paris, along with other Latin American Ambassadors, to fly as our guests to San Antonio on Friday, March 31, to spend the week-end. I am enclosing an outline of the week-end activities which we believe will be helpful to you in making your plans. Could you please ask your secretary to contact the Office of the White House Social Secretary and let her know whether it will be possible for you and your wife to accept. Mrs. Johnson joins me in sending warm best wishes. Sincerely, His Excellency Dr. Enrique Tejera-Paris Ambassador of Venezuela 2445 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. Enclosure LYNDON B. JOHNSON Carbons stamped in Mr. Thomas' Office

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January 6, 1967

Dear Howard:

The President is grateful for your offer to drop all previous commitments and go to Venezuela if we could find no one else. Fortunately, we were able to get Fred Seitz.

There will be other occasions when he will need you; and we shall be calling on you, as you so generously said we could.

My best to you and my friends at M. I. T.

Yours,

/S/Walt

W. W. Rostow

Dr. Howard W. Johnson
President

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Please convey following message from President Johnson to President Leoni:

QTE Dear Mr. President: Tomorrow will be a day of proud accomplishment for you and all Venezuelans as you inaugurate the Angostura Bridge across the Orinoco River.

I know what this bridge means for the future development of your country, and I share your pride in it.

I appreciate your invitation to send a representative to the inauguration ceremonies. I have named Dr. Frederick Seitz, President of our National Academy of Sciences. carries my warm best wishes to you and the Venezuelan mation on this historic occasion.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson UNQTE

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QUOTE On behalf of the United States Government and people, I extend to you and to Venezuela best wishes for a prosperous and happy New Year. The coming year offers an unusual opportunity for giving new direction and vitality to our Alliance for Progress. I know of your dedication to this common effort and what Venezuela under your leadership has contributed. I am confident that 1967 will stand out as a year of new achievement for the Venezuelan nation, demonstrating what a people can accomplish within the framework of constitutional democratic government.

Lyndon B. Johnson UNQUOTE

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PLEASE ACCEPT MY BEST WISHES FOR YOUR QUICK RECOVERY REGARDS

PEDRO PARIS MONTESINOS AMBASSADOR REPRESENTATIVE OF VENEZUELA

TO THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES.

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October 6, 1966

Dear Mr. President:

Astronauts Neil A. Armstrong and Richard F. Gordon come to Venezuela as emissaries of good will, bringing to you and to the people of Venezuela my own warm greetings and the best wishes of my countrymen. The pride which we take in their achievements I am sure is shared by the Hemisphere.

Their visit to your great country gives me another opportunity to stress our dedication to the peaceful use of outer space under a rule of law and to the sharing of the knowledge we have gathered with the world scientific community. Venezuela's interest in this field has already been demonstrated through its adherence last year to the International Telecommunications Satellite Consortium, which will utilize space to improve communications between member countries.

Through the astronauts' visit the American people once more express the great esteem in which we hold your government and the Venezuelan people and the importance we attach to the ties between our two countries.

With renewed expressions of friendship,

Sincerely

His Excellency Raul Leoni President of Venezuela

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from President Leoni of Venezuela, dated August 5, 1966

The enclosed letter from President Leoni concerning the forthcoming meeting of the Presidents of the American States is in response to the President's messages on the subject recently conveyed to the Venezuelan head of state by Ambassador Bernbaum. The letter was delivered to the Department on August 12 by the Ambassador of Venezuela.

The Department's recommendations for a reply will follow.

Benjamin H. Read Executive Secretary

Enclosure:

Letter from President Leoni with translation.

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Miraflores, August 5, 1966.

Dear Mister President:

Ambassador Bernbaum has been kind enough to give to me, personally, two courteous messages from you, dated the 16th and 19th of July last.

The proposal formulated by former President Illia to convene, late this year, a meeting of the Presidents of the American States, has been received by me with sympathy. However, considering past experience and the results of former similar reunions, I have taken the liberty to suggest the convenience that this meeting should be very carefully prepared, taking into consideration the matters which will be included in the Agenda, as well as the commitments, conclusions and recommendations which would be approved in said meeting. All these matters should be studied so as to obtain the positive results which will interpret the expectations that such an event has awakened in the continental opinion.

As you will understand, Mister President, a meeting of the Chiefs of State of the American Nations, which would take place at a time when our countries are confronting multiple problems of different nature, would not be a contribution to regain the confidence in the interamerican system, nor would it stimulate the faith of our people in the goal of justice which must be accomplished by the democratic system, nor to strengthen the national reputation of each Government, or the international prestige of the United States, which is the country who is considered as the leader of the free world, if the commitments, conclusions and recommendations which would be approved are not to become practical agreements which positively will be a real contribution to the solution of the great problems which are a matter of concern and anxiety to our governments.

My hope and that of my Government is that as a consequence of this meeting of Presidents the hope of our peoples would not be frustrated, but on the contrary that its results will increase the mutual feelings of understanding, friendship and confidence, which must be the basis of the relations between all the countries of this Hemisphere. That is why all serious efforts must be made so as the Inter-American System should be transformed from just an acceptable political doctrine into a beautiful instrument of effective cooperation for the economical, cultural and social development of each of our countries, so that with the progressive elimination of ignorance, of the fear of poverty and of restrictions to democratic liberties, our America will be a Continent where justice will be definitely established.

I consider that in the Agenda of the Meeting of the Presidents, special attention should be given, in addition to the ones mentioned by you, to the following points:

- 1) Strengthening of the process of latinamerican integration.
- II) Defense of the prices and markets of our basic commodities.
- III) Study of the Program of the Alliance for Progress for the purpose of revising the ways to cooperate in order to foster the implementation of the Agrarian Reform, and to increase the farm and cattle production; to accelerate the process of education at all levels, and in particular in the technological field, and to improve the living conditions of the popular classes. Special attention should be given to the global financing of all the development programs.
  - IV) All that is related to foreign investments.
  - V) The Security of the Continent and the strengthening of the interamerican system.

I hope to be able, when I return from Bogota, after my meeting with the Presidents of Colombia and Chile, to send to you some new suggestions.

It is my opinion that due to the short time at our disposal for that meeting of Presidents, it would be convenient to prepare in detail the material for each point of the Agenda so as to make it easier to expedite its study and discussion. This delicate matter should be given to a Committee of personal representatives of the Presidents or to a Special Organism of the O.A.S. I also believe, that in all or in some of the matters mentioned, it should be necessary to express concretely the practical means to apply and comply, without excessive delays, the recommendations and commitments which would be approved at the Meeting. I believe that the fulfillment of these commitments and resolutions, more than the formulation of beautiful ratifications of principles, will be the undoubtful success of the Reunion in the continental and world opinion.

I hope to have the honour of meeting you and to talk directly with you before the end of this year or at least at the beginning of 1967, in any of the American Capitals where the meeting of the Chiefs of State of the Americas will take place, as I have the conviction that this Meeting

will be an exemplary lesson to a world dominated by rivalries, suspicions and distrust.

Please accept, Mister President, my best wishes for your personal welfare and for the continous prosperity and happiness of the people of the United States of America.

Yours very sincerely,

Sgd/ Raul Leoni

To His Excellency Lyndon B. Johnson President of the United States of America Washington, D.C.

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July 19, 1966

Dear Mr. President:

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When Ambassador Bernbaum was here, we talked about both events in Venezuela and the relations between our two countries.

I was most encouraged by his report of the excellent economic, social, and political progress which Venezuela is making under your leadership.

He told me as well that, although there are matters of mutual interest which remain to be discussed or negotiated between our Governments, he is confident that these matters will be treated with cordiality and mutual understanding as befits two nations which have enjoyed traditionally friendly and constructive relations over the years.

I was particularly gratified by his account of the personal interest which you took in arranging for Venezuela's generous donation of rice for refugees in South Vietnam. This is a humanitarian act in the highest tradition of international cooperation, and one of which Venezuela may indeed be proud. Your contribution will do much to ameliorate the hunger and suffering of the innocent victims of the Communist aggression in South Vietnam.

In addition to these topics, Ambassador Bernbaum also informed me of your views regarding the possibility of holding a meeting of American Presidents later this year. I value these opinions greatly since they represent the views of a Government which is in the forefront of political and economic democracy in Latin America and the Alliance for Progress effort. I have followed closely Venezuela's pioneering efforts in industry, rural, and urban development.

I share your judgment that if the meeting is to be worthwhile, it will require careful preparation with a view to achieving concrete results. In this regard, our Chargé recently communicated to you through your Minister of Foreign Affairs my own deep interest in such a meeting.

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Please accept my warmest best wishes for the continued prosperity and happiness of the Venezuelan people, and for you personally.

Sincerely,

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His Excellency Raul Leoni President of Venezuela Caracas

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and constructive relations over the years.

I was particularly gratified by his account of the personal interest which you took in arranging for Venezuela's generous donation of rice for refugees in South Vietnam. This is a humanitarian act in the highest tradition of international cooperation, and one of which Venezuela may indeed be proud. Your WMX contribution will do much to ameliorate the hunger and suffering of the innocent victims of the Communist aggression in South Vietnam.

In addition to these topics, Ambassador Bernbaum also informed me of your views regarding the possibility of holding a meeting of American Presidents later this year. I value these opinions greatly since they represent the views of a Government which is in the forefront of political and economic democracy in Latin America and the Alliance for Progress effort. I have followed closely Venezuela's pioneering efforts in industry, rural, and urban development.

I share your judgment that if the meeting is to be worthwhile, it will require careful preparation with a view to achieving concrete results. In this XXX regard, our Charge recently communicated to you through your Minister of Foreign Affairs my own deep interest in such a meeting.

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Please accept my warmest best wishes for the continued prosperity and happiness of the Venezuelan people, and for you personally.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson UNQUOTE

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Deliver following message from President to President Leoni: QUOTE On behalf of our people and Government, I thank you for your good wishes on the 190th anniversary of the independence of the United States of America.

Sincerely.

Lyndon B. Johnson UNQUOTE

This is in response to July 4 message from President Leoni as follows: EN NOMBRE GOBIERNO Y PUEBLO VENEZOLANOS, ASI COMO EN EL MIO PROPIO, TENGO A HONRA HACER LLEGAR A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA SINCERAS FELICITACIONES CON MOTIVO CELÉBRAR HOY VUESTRO PAIS UN NUEVO ANIVERSARIQ DE LA INDEPENDENCIA. VALGOME ESTA OCASION PARA REITERAR A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA EL TESTIMONIO DE MI MAS ALTA CONSIDERACION.

RAUL LEONI, PRESIDENTE DE VENEZUEIA

White House does not plan to release reply, but has no objection if GOV wishes do so. END

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DR. RAUL LEONI,

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA,

CARACAS.

On the occasion of this anniversary of the independence of Venezuela I wish to express the best wishes of the people of the United States of America and my own personal greetings, to you and to the people of Venezuela. In the interest of human freedom and world peace it is our earnest desire that the friendly relations between our not only two nations will/continue as in the past, but also become even closer in the future."

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Dear Mr. President:

I thought you might want these copies of photographs of the surface of the moon taken by the Surveyor I spacecraft.

These and other photographs will be distributed to the scientific community of the world in the hope that they will contribute to our combined knowledge of the lunar surface.

I have the strong feeling that if we are wise and earnest, what is happening in outer space can help us live better together on earth.

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Dr. Raul Leoni
President of the Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Sunday May 8, 1966

Mr. President:

From the viewpoint of showing your interest in Latin America, I think Secretary Wirtz should go. If he does, I think, in addition to your message, Secretary Wirtz should stress your interest in Latin America; your desire to improve economic conditions etc., and this approach should be suggested to him.

Yes\_No

Bob Kintner

Inter-american Lator ministers Conference

"Tell Jake to get on this right away and tell them it's approved."

LBJ/vm 5/9/66 9:15 am

(done by JJ -- 5/9/66 9:30 am)

Nothing else sent to 6/7/66

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May 6, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR:

The President

THROUGH: Mr. Robert E. Kintner

Secretary of the Cabinet

I am attaching a copy of a memorandum which we have received from our post in Caracas. I thought the underlined portion might be of interest to you

Leonard H. Marks

Attachment

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#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON

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April 27, 1966

MEMORANDUM

To:

The President

The White House

From:

Orville L. Freeman

Secretary of Agriculture

Subject:

Brazil -- Venezuela -- On spot review of current

Agriculture -- Political situation

#### I. Political

#### A. Brazil

The current political climate is peculiar. I would estimate that as few as 20 percent of the public support the current administration. Planning Minister Compos and President Castello Branco and most of the Cabinet seem to consider their lack of political effort and appeal, a virtue. They freely acknowledge that only Ney Braga, the Minister of Agriculture, has any voter appeal or public magnetism.

They are carrying out an austere, harsh, courageous, intelligent

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April 29, 1966 erate political ineptness so long as tegrity and sincerity of the leader-e term of President Branco is hazard-

TO MR. KINTNE

FROM W. W. FOSTOW

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Feb. 21, 1966

Mr. President:

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"To Dr. Gonzalo Barrios A-1796-04A
With warm good wishes, LBJ"

(he was special representative sent by the President of Venezuela)

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February 15, 1966

Mr. President:

Would you like to autograph

"To Dr. Manuel Perez Guerrero With warmest best wishes, LBJ"

(he is the Venezuelan Minister of Mines and Petroleum -- second from the left in the picture)

Send the other picture to him too? Yes No

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I am pleased to extend my heartigst greetings to the participants of The Fourth Inter-American Savings and Loan Conference and to wish you every success in your deliberations.

The creation of capital to provide long-term home mortgages is one of the key offorts of the Alliance for Progress. The success which your associations have achieved represents a tremendous step forward.

Only five years ago, two small associations began successful operations in Latin America. Today 89 associations, with a membership of over 300,000 persons, have accumulated savings in excess of \$100 million and have financed more than 37,000 homes. This is a fine achievement and a good example of people helping themselves to attain a higher standard of living.

Your undertaking is all the more important because it exemplifies what can be accomplished when our governments join hands with private enterprise to achieve a common objective.

LYMDON B. JOYNSON

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tary Udall publicly announced that orts cost consumers a minimum i the national security need for their ted to eliminate residual restrictions reas but that "White House attorneys"

ested Governor Buford Ellington, tanning, to "make a searching new explicit finding concerning the cam." This investigation was initiated

on April 6, 1965.

To date the only word from the OEP as to the results of its review has been a two-paragraph letter to Secretary Udall on December 18, 1965, wherein Governor Ellington stated "my investigation indicates that control of these imports (residual fuel) could be substantially relaxed without impairment of the national security." Acting on this "interim advice" Secretary Udall on December 22, 1965, announced a substantial increase in allowable residual imports for the first three months of 1966 and his intention to further liberalize the program on April 1 of this year. Widely circulated reports have indicated this action on the part of the Interior Department represented an attempt to forestall impending oil and coal price increases, the latter because of the coal industry's inability to increase production to meet stepped up demand.

Whatever the reason, Secretary Udall's decision has done little to remove the basic inequities attributable to the control program, specifically lack of free and open competition, dislocation of supply, and the ever present threat of quota reductions at any time. The truth of the matter remains that consumer requirements can be met only through complete elimination of quotas.

The recent decision of the Venezuelan Government -- the principal source of East Coast residual supplies -- to increase the selling price of residual

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

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REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA
Office of the President

Miraflores, January 17, 1966

Excellency:

I have received the message of condolence which Your Excellency so kindly sent me on the occasion of my brother's death.

I deeply appreciate your expression of sympathy at this very sad time and I avail myself of the occasion to renew to you the assurances of my most distinguished consideration and sincere friendship.

[s] Raúl Leoni

RAUL LEONI

His Excellency
Lyndon B. Johnson,
President of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

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# THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS WASHINGTON

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January 14, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR HONORABLE JOSEPH A. CALIFANO, JR.

Subject: Meeting on Venezuela's Action to Raise Residual Fuel Oil Prices

Last week we met with Secretary Udall, Tom Mann and Tony Solomon, John Douglas, and representatives of Defense to see what could be done about Venezuela's move to raise residual fuel prices.

State held that we should not attempt to roll back the price by direct action. They argued that Venezuela is in a strong position on residual. They are virtually the only economical source, and we are heavily dependent on them. Only 10% of U.S. users could convert to coal and Venezuela knows it. Venezuela is far more interested in price than in the quantity it sells.

The oil companies are negotiating to modify the increase this week, and to limit the rise to the Venezuelans' tax share of revenues rather than the total price. The companies think they will make some gains in these talks, and don't want the Government to irritate the Venezuelans now. They would be happy to have our Ambassador support those negotiations. We encouraged State to have the Ambassador do so. State argues that we should save whatever bargaining cards we have -- such as Defense procurement -- to use later on, if necessary.

All agreed that scrapping the quota system for residual fuel imports would be the strongest move we could make. The import "tickets" are now worth about 15 cents a barrel to the importers. If the quota system were dropped, this would tend to cut the price by this amount. However, Interior feels that present plans modify the ticket system should largely destroy the value of the tickets.

If it can ever be done, this is probably the best time to scrap the quota system entirely. The coal industry is producing at virtual capacity, and could not seriously claim to be adversely affected. But it would take a new Presidential Declaration, which might be politically hot.

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January 14, 1966

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MEMORANDUM TO AMB. LLOYD HAND

The President has asked that the attached photographs be sent to the respective Ambassadors with his best wishes card.

Juanita D. Roberts

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January 4, 1966

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Venezuela and Residual Oil

Tom Mann asked me to pass along to you the following information:

- Our rumor on Venezuela's action on residual oil (sent to Joe Califano yesterday) was entirely correct;
- 2. Both State and Interior, with the help of some independent experts, are working on every phase of the problem, and believe they have adequate means to get Venezuela to reverse its action;
- 3. They will have a full report for you shortly.

Gardner Ackley

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# THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS WASHINGTON

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January 3, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR HONORABLE JOSEPH A. CALIFANO, JR.

Subject: The Venezuelan Government Tries to Fix the Price of Residual Fuel Oil

We hear that the Venezuelan government is trying to jack up the price of residual fuel oil now that we have liberalized the residual fuel oil program.

Most of the oil has been coming into the country at \$1.55. They are trying to raise it to \$1.80.

The posted price is \$2.00. The Venezuelan government has to approve discounts from the posted price. They have been approving a 45-cent discount. According to a cable that we have not yet seen but heard about from a newspaperman, the government is announcing that it will not generally approve any discounts of more than 10% (or 20 cents). They will approve some exceptions.

We did not liberalize the residual fuel oil program in order to let the Venezuelans drive up the price. If they do not reverse this action, we should have some long second thoughts about the break we are giving them both under the residual program and under the new Western Hemisphere preference scheme of the general oil import control program.

Gardner Ackley

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January 3, 1966

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Dear Mr. Ambassador:

It was so kind of you and Mrs. Tejera-Paris to remember us at Christmastime. The two volumes of "Selected Writings of Bolivar," as well as the additional gift, are greatly appreciated symbols of your thoughtfulness and friendship.

Mrs. Johnson joins me in sending to you and Mrs. Tejera-Paris our thanks and good wishes for the new year.

Sincerely,

His Excellency
Dr. Enrique Tejera-Paris
Ambassador of Venezuela
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#### MEMORANDUM FOR:

Honorable Lloyd N. Hand

The attached cards refer to gifts received by the President and Mrs. Johnson from His Excellency and Mrs. Enrique Tejera -Paris of Venezuela. They are being sent to you for appropriate handling or suggested draft for the President's reply.

> Juanita D. Roberts Personal Secretary to the President

His Excellency and Mrs. Enrique Tejera-Paris Embassy of Venezuela 2443 Massachusetts Avenue, NW. Washington, D.C.

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Mr. President:

After careful reading of the recommendations on oil imports I have reached the following recommendations:

First, that the power to increase imports be retained by the President rather than placed in the hands of Secretary Udall. This would be in keeping with the national security aspects which were the reasons for the passage of the legislation in the first instance. Insofar as insulation is concerned, this can be provided by recommendations or committees.

Second, that the suggestions regarding Canada and Venezuela be approved and would further recommend that the release be made by Udall in Washington rather than here in Texas. This would give added weight to the fact that Udall makes these recommendations in the first instance and you either approve or disapprove his recommendation.

X Finally, the most serious problem to me is the handling of the Phillips Chemical plant in Puerto Rico. This has created a large stir among the major companies and most independents and majors feel that this is a very rough deal and gives Phillips a tremendous advantage. Although I am not familiar with the facts, I feel that it would be well if someone consulted with your friends among the major oilmen to determine if approval of this agreement would really be a serious blunder. If it would, I would recommend that the Puerto Rican government be asked to renegotiate. I base a lot of this on rumor of possible trades made in Puerto Rico and my rumors may be untrue.

Jake

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# DEPARTMENT OF STATE Assistant Secretary

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**MEMORANDUM** 

November 9, 1965

TO:

S/CPR - Mr. Lloyd N. Hand

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FROM:

ARA - Jack H. Vaughn

SUBJ:

Suggested Inscriptions for Books and Photographs

to be Presented by the Secretary.

In accordance with request from Miss Dunaway, the following inscriptions are suggested:

#### 1. For Photograph of President Johnson:

Venezuela: To President Raul Leoni, with every good

wish,

Argentina: To President Arturo Illia, with friendly

personal regards,

Brazil: To President Humberto Castello Branco, with

warm good wishes,

Uruguay: To President Washington Beltran, my colleague,

with warm regards,

### 2. For book from President Johnson:

·Venezuela: With warm regards to President Raul Leoni,

.Brazil: To President Humberto Castillo Branco,

a distinguished leader and dedicated servant

of his country,

'Uruguay: To President Washington Bertran, with every

good wish,

· Argentina: To President Arturo Illia, with warmest good

wishes,

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WASHINGTON

October 27, 1965

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. JACK VALENTI THE WHITE HOUSE

I spoke with Dr. Milton Eisenhower again today about his forthcoming trips to Latin America. He told me that he had a tight schedule over the next few months and probably could not take a five-day trip until Spring. However, he suggested a short trip to Mexico and later another to Venezuela or Colombia.

Dr. Eisenhower will let me know soon when he can begin his briefings in the Department and when he might make the first trip.

I will keep you informed.

Thomas C. Mann

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White House has received following message to President from President Leoni:

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I wish to express to your excellency my most sincers wishes for complete recovery of your health. A cordial greeting from your friend, Raul Leoni, UNQUOTE

Deliver following reply to President Leoni:

QUOTE

Thank you for your considerate and thoughtful message. I am grateful for your kind wishes and appreciate your warm expression of concern on my behalf. MIRNOTE Lyndon B. Johnson UNQUOTE

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REPRODUCTION FROM THIS COPY IS PROHIBITED UNLESS "UNCLASSIFIED" Dear Mr. Ambassadori

I am so grateful to you for your presence at our luncheon at the White House.

It was both inspiring and informative to talk with you about the problems and the hopes of your nation. I want you to know that I am anxious to be of help to you in any way you think possible. Feel free to call on me at anytime.

I might add that the Fresident was delighted with the opportunity to visit with you.

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti Special Assistant to the President

His Excellency S. Edward Peal Ambassador of Liberia 3507 Fulton Street, NW Washington, D. C.

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EXECUTIVE

October 1, 1965 3:30 p.m.

Mr. President:

Secretary Joe Barr called this afternoon and asked that I give you this message:

Following your talk at the hotel this morning, he talked with the Finance Ministers from

Germany
Korea
Italy
Greece
Pakistan
Ceylon
New Zealand
Australia and
Venezuela.

He said, without exception, they said your speech was the most wonderful they had ever heard and for the first time, fully realized 'what you people say about your great' President'. He said they were so happy to have had this opportunity to hear you in person and that they could not praise you, nor what you had to say, enough.

Marvin

Original to mrs. Denito



REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA DESPACHO DEL PRESIDENTE

firaftores, 17 de septiembre de 1965.

Distinguido señor Presidentes

Me siento complacido al adusarle recabo de su atenta mi siva del pasado 13 de agosto a la que tuvo la gentileza de acompanar la copia de la primera fotografía televisala de Marte, lograda por la nave espacial nortemericana "Mariner IV".

Ese éxito alcanzado por el espíritu de investigación perseverante de los científicos pericanos es no sólo un motivo de
legítimo orgullo para su gran país, sino que representa un impresio
nante adelanto de la humanidad en su esfuerzo por trasponer las fronteras del conocimiento y alcanzar un acercamiento de los pueblos a través de la conquista proffica del espacio.

Al congratularme con Su Excelencia y con los científi - cos de su país que han logrado este mignífico triumfo, le expreso - mis sinceras gracias por su generosa atención.

Lo saluda atentamente.

RAUL LEONT

A'Sh Excelencia Lyndon B. Johnson, Presidente de los Estados Unidos Washington, D.C.

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To His Excellency General Alfredo Ovando

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With best wishes.

To His Excellency Eduardo Frei Montalva

With best wishes,

To His Excellency , 03 General Rene Barrientos Ortuno With best wishes,

To His Excellency Washington Beltran

With best wishes,

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To His Excellency Marco A. Robles With best wishes,

To His Excellency - General of the Army -Alfredo Stroessner

With best wishes,

To His Excellency General Oswaldo Lopez Arellano With best wishes,

To His Excellency (9° Gustavo Diaz Ordaz

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To His Excellency Dr. Rene Schick Gutierrez

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With best wishes,

TO His Excellency With best wishes

CO TO His Excellency Marshal Humberto Castello Franco

with best wishes

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September 8, 1965

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

The President believes that no speech he has made carries with it more hope and meaning than his remarks on the Fourth Anniversary of the Alliance for Progress.

He has therefore instructed me to transmit to you several bound copies of that speech. You will note that the President has personally inscribed to you the booklet on top.

Sincerely,

Lloyd N. Hand

His Excellency
Dr. Enrique Tejera-Paris
Ambassador of Venezuela
2445 Massachusetts Avenue, NW.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Enclosures

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HIS EXCELLENCY DR. ENRIQUE TEJERA-PARIS
Ambassador of Venezuela

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PUNTO Y APARTE MUY SINCERAMENTE

RAUL LEONI PRESIDENTE DE VENEZUELA

Nothing else sent to 10-4-65

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President's letters 8/13/65 to following Heads of State, sending on behalf of American people photo of Mars taken from the Mariner IV spacecraft.

WASHINGTON BELTRAN, Pres. of the Natl Council of Gov. of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay

RAUL LEONI, Pres. of the Republic of Venezuela

NGUYEN VAN THIEU, Chairman of the Natl Directory Committee of the Congress of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Viet-Nam

ABDULLAH al-SALLAL, Pres. of the Yemen Arab Republic

MARSHAL JOSIP BROZ-TITO, Pres. of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia

KENNETH D. KAUNDA, Pres. of the Republic of Zambia

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Department has received from Venezuelan Embassy letter of condolence dated July 15 to President Johnson from President Leoni. Text is as follows:

QUOTE Excelentísimo senor: Me ha sorprendido dolorosamente el deceso repentino de Adlai Stevenson, eminente estadista y hombre público del Continente americano, cuyas demostraciones de amistad hacia Venezuela tuvimos siempre en la más alta estimación.

Ruegole aceptar y hacer extensivos al pueblo de los Estados Unidos mis sentimientos personales de condolencia y los del pueblo venezolano. Sinceramente, Raul Leoni ENDQUOTE

Embassy is requested to pass following message from President Johnson to President Leoni:

QUOTE I thank you personally on behalf of the American people for your sympathetic expression of bereavement on the

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death of Adlai Stevenson. His passing is a great loss to men and women of all nations. Lyndon B. Johnson ENDQUOTE

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July 24, 1965 Saturday, 4:00 p.m. CO3LL

FOR

THE PRESIDENT

FROM

Lee White

Attached is a memorandum on the oil import program representing the views of Secretary Udall and Tom Mann.

I believe that basically they make sense, although, admittedly, this is a highly controversial and involved subject. The principal premise upon which everything rests is that the import quotas will be reduced by about 5% -- a significant cut, but acceptable to State and probably to foreign countries. The domestic industry will claim the cut should be much greater, but at least this will take some of the sting out of it.

The major shifts contemplated in the treatment of foreign suppliers is a substantial cut in Canadian imports -- these have been virtually unrestricted up to now -- and an improvement in the Venezuelan situation. Apparently Venezuela is as much interested in not being discriminated against as it is in actually selling more oil. Law-level talks with Canada and Venezuela have indicated that we may have developed an acceptable approach.

Tentative plans are for Udall and Tony Solomon to go to Canada on Wednesday, July 28. Prior to his doing so, all believe it is essential to secure your reaction to the basic proposal. Up to now there has been no commitment, but any meetings at a ministerial level should not proceed without assurance that what is being discussed is consistent with your thinking on the subject. Accordingly, Tom Mann has requested an opportunity for Udall and himself to discuss this with you briefly on Monday or Tuesday.

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TO: His Excellency

Romulo Betancourt,

Westbury Hotel,

Madison at 69th Street,

Room 1419.

New York, New York.

I thank you personally on behalf of the American people for your approaches expression of personally on the death of Adlai Stevenson.

We and the men and women of all nations have indeed lost a son.

Lyndon B. Johnson END

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#### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

July 13

MEMO FOR the Office of the Press Secretary
The White House

The attached message has been drafted to go out on the Central and South American journalists' tour for late September.

Appreciate your comments as soon as possible as we are trying to get the message up for signature before Mr. Sylvester leaves on Wednesday.

Telephone extension for project officer is: Code 11 x-56658 or x-57676 or x-76005.

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HIS EXCELLENCY

DR. RAUL LEONI.

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA,

The people of the United States of America join with me in extending to Your Excellency and to the people of Venezuela continuing good wishes on this anniversary of the independence of Venezuela. On this occasion I would also like to extend my best personal wishes and to reaffirm the traditional bonds of friendship between our two countries.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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Dear Miss Viana:

President Johnson was pleased to receive the kind letter from you and those who joined with you. The knowledge that his leadership has the approval and support of citizens of a sister Republic means much to him, and he is especially grateful for your warm personal expressions. The President asked me to send you this note conveying his thanks and best wishes to you, Anita Rincones L., Luisa Virginia Viana, Otilia de Viana, Alfonso Osorio, Maria Teresa Osorio and Magali Luciani.

Sincerely,

Paul M. Popple
Assistant to the President

Miss Margarita Viana
The International Club of Washington
1225 19th Street, NW.
Washington, D.C.

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VUESTRA EXCELENCIA LOS SENTIMIENTOS DE MI MAS ELEVADA CONSIDERACION
RAUL LEONI PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA

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MEMORANDUM THE WHITE HOUSE FG105 WASHINGTON 00311 PR 8-1. June 11, 1965 11:10 a.m. Mr. President: Secretary Tom Mann thinks the oil import problem is very critical. He believes that Mr. Solomon in State needs to know some answers before he meets with Venezuelan representatives on Monday, June 14th. Marvin Will try to me

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THE PRESIDENT

Friday, 10:30 am June 4, 1965

Lee C. White

Proposed Adjustment in Crude Cil Import Program

The crude oil import program for the last six months of 1965, according to past practice, should be announced by Secretary Udall between June 15 and June 20.

In response to the very heavy Venezuelan pressure for "equal treatment" with Canada, Interior and State have worked for a number of months and have produced a proposal which they believe will satisfy the Venezuelan government's political needs and which can probably be sold to Canada. It rests on the premise that the same percentage (12.2) of imports to domestic production will be maintained, but there will be a reduction of the Canadian preference with a corresponding increase for Venezuela.

The basic decision to stick with the 12.2% is a result of hearings held last March by Interior and rests on the fact that the oil industry is enjoying high profits -- this will, of course, raise some problem with the domestic industry, but Interior regards it as easily manageable. I understand that changes will be recommended with regard to the treatment of various segments of the domestic industry will be treated, but Interior is still working on this. Because the Venezuelan-Canadian problem is separable from any domestic considerations and because of the time required to negotiate with the two governments separately, it is very strongly urged by both State and Interior that they be authorized to proceed.

The elements of the Venezuela-Canada package are:

1. Semantic or Cosmetic Improvement -- One of Venezuela's concerns is that Canada enjoys an "overland exemption" (as does Mexico whose interest in these negotiations is minimal). It is contemplated that in the future, the Western Hemisphere preferred position would be described as "planned coordinated pipeline movements", which would apply equally to all hemisphere countries.

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EXECUTIVE WAR A STATE OF THE ST

Mr. Romulo Betancourt
c/o Miss Frances Grant
Secretary General
XInter-American Association for Democracy and Freedom
20 West 40th Street
New York, New York

I TAKE SINCERE PLEASURE IN JOINING WITH THE INTER AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR DEMOCRACY AND FREEDOM ON THIS OCCASION TO CONVEY MY OWN HIGH REGARD FOR YOU AS ONE OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED STATESMEN OF VENEZUELA AND INDEED THE WHOLE WE WESTERN HEMISPHERE. YOUR DEDICATION TO THE CAUSES OF CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE, AND THE WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF THE AMERICAS ARE WELL KNOWN TO ALL, AND HAVE FULLY EARNED YOU THE HIGH POSITION YOU HOLD ON THE ROSTER OF DEFENDERS OF DEMOCRACY.

I AM CONFIDENT THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO WORK FOR PROGRESS IN THE HEMISPHERE. WE CAN ALL BENEFIT FROM YOUR WISE COUNSEL, TEMPERED BY EXPERIENCE AND SUSTAINED BY AN UNFAILING VISION OF THE AMERICAS-BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH-AS A FAMILY OF FREE NATIONS COOPERATING FOR THE BENEFIT OF THEIR CITIZENS.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

CC: Mr. Holborn, Central Files, PR Unit and Mr. Reedy

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Mr President

The Venzuelean Ambassador talked to me briefly last night. My wife and his wife have become friends and he came to dine with us.

- 1. He thinks the answer in D. R. is an INter-American force of perhaps 4,000 men. He says Venezuela will send a battalion of 1,000 men to this force.
- Constitutionality is the key. The legitimate
   acceptance of the new government, any new government,
   is constitutionality.
- 3. Bonilla, the DR man in the OAS here has told

  ENLIGUE Tejera-Paris (the Venezuelean ambassador) that he

  wants to go home but the Americans are keeping him here.
  - 4. Venezuelean officials will act in concert with the OAS and the US as soon as a constitutionally-formed government can be offered -- one that will, with the help of the OAS Inter-American force, keep the peace, maintain law and order, and ready the country for free elections in 17 months.
  - 5. He admires the President -- understands his actions, but insists we must put our weight behind a constitutional government -- not the Junta, which has no popular support and do it QUICKLY.

I said nothing - just listened. Jack Valenti

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### MAY 1 3 1965

Dear Mr. Cottrell:

I am happy to accord you the personal rank of Minister during the tenure of your assignment as Deputy Chief of Mission at Caracas, Venezuela.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

The Honorable Sterling J. Cottrell American Embassy Caracas

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MR. PRESIDENT:

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Venezuelan President Romulo Betancourt is still in Washington. As you know, Rusk, Bundy and Tom Mann feel it would be helpful for you to see him -- expecially since he apparently got the impression when you saw him last that you would welcome his calling on you.

Do you want me to schedule?

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Jack Valenti

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SENOR PRESIDENTE:

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EN SEPTIEMBRE DE 1963, SON MOTIVO DE HONDA PREOCUPACION DEL

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RAUL LEONI

PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA

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February 20, 1965.

From the American Embassy in Caracas, Venezuela, February 20, 1965.

Foreign Minister Borges and the Secretary General of the Presidency Mantilla called this morning on orders President Leoni to express his deepest condolence for the fatal shooting Peace Corps Associate Director Rupley and the wounding of PCV Glover asking that this be conveyed to the United States Government, to the U. S. Mission staff, and to the American colony. Mantilla added that President Leoni had personally ordered an investigation and that the culprits would be punished.

Peace Corps physicians report Glover's condition continues to be satisfactory, and slightly improved.



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December 18, 1964.

### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. McGEORGE BUNDY THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter from Venezuelan Children's Council

to the President dated November 16

H. OCADIN RESTREED M.

Enclosed is a letter dated November 16, 1964, from the Venezuelan Children's Council to the President requesting financial help for a trip to the United States.

The Department recommends that the enclosed letter to the President be forwarded to the Embassy in Caracas for reply.

Benjamin A. Read Executive Secretary

Enclosure:

Letter to the President from Venezuelan Children's Council with translation

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

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VENEZUELAN CHILDREN'S COUNCIL

Cojedes Branch

Pre-orientation School of Minors

San Carlos

San Carlos, November 16, 1964

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[SPECIAL FILE]

His Excellency
Lyndon B. Johnson
President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C.

#### [FULL SUMMARY]

The writer states his belief that he represents/first of Venezuela's child welfare institutions to address President Johnson.

He expresses satisfaction that Mr. Johnson was elected President by and for the American people, the election being an affirmation of the democracy of the United States.

He requests the financial help of President Johnson in making possible a trip to the United States/70 boys and 10 teachers from the institution.

Transportation on a military carrier and room and board once the group is in the United States would be desirable. Their vacation time begins on January 3 and ends January 12.

He has also approached the Ford Foundation in this matter, requesting it to undertake part of the expenses, and requests President Johnson to use his influence with the Ford Foundation to obtain that aid, especially since his organization does not have the means for such a trip.

The writer hopes that his boys of "America" may see the United States through the President's help.

[s] H. Ocádiz Restrepo Z.

Director

Pre-orientation School for Minors

[Stamp of the Venezuelan Children's Council]

REPUBLICA DE VEZZUELA CONSEJO VENEZOLANO DEL NIÑO SECCIONAL COJEDES

INTERNADO PRE-ORIENTACION DE MENORES

SAN CARLOS

San Carlos, 16 de noviembre de 1.964

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No. ESPECIAL.

Excelentísimo, Señor: Dector: LYNDON B.JOHNSON .-Presidente de los Estados Unidos de Norte América. Palacio Presidencial. Washington.

Exmo Señor:

Tengo la firme creencia, de que después de vuestra elección, de Presidente Constitucional de los Estados Unidos de Norte -América: soy el primero de nuestros institutos venezolanos de Protección al Menor, que en nombre de los niños del mismo se dirige a Vuestra Excelencia.-

Primeramente complácenos en manifestarle nuestra satisfacción por haber salido electo un hombre del pueblo y para el pueblo norte-ame ricano.y con ello la afirmación de las democracias de América.-Razón anterior para manifestarle el deseo de nuestro, de que nuestros ni ños, en un grupo de 70 y 10 Profesores y Maestros, visiten a los Estados Unidos y conozcan ese gran pueblo, por lo que acudimos a su Excelencia en solicitud de una ayuda especial para la realización de éste viaje . La gruda aludida sería de que se nos facilitara el transporte para los 70 muchachos, y 10 adultos pertenecientes al Instituto, en una de vuestras unidades militares, y se nos diese alojamiento en los Estados Unidos en el lugar más aconsejable, del 3 de onero, fecha de nuestra salida, al día doce del mismo mes cuando nos propondriamos en regresar.

Por nuestra parte en esta misma fecha, hemos acudido a la Funda ción"FORD" en busca de una ayuda especial en Dólares para subsan ar par te de nuestros gastos con motivo del viaje aludido, para lo que invocamos la influencia de Vuestra Excelencia a fin de que nos sea concedida la ayudada aludida, ya que nuestro Instituto es de escasos recursos eco nómicos para atender los gastos a que hubiere lugar.

En espera, de que estos niños de América conocerán a los Estados Unidos por desición de Vuestra Excelencia, me suscribo como su atento y Seguro Servidoro-VENEZOLAND OF

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Embassy requested convey following message from the President to President Leonis

QUOTE

I deeply appreciate your kind message of congratulations on my election as President of the United States and extend to you and the people of Venezuela my personal best wishes. UNQUOTE.

White House does not plan release of reply but has no objection if President Leoni wishes to do so. END

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November 9, 1964

Dear Mr. President:

I have received the two volume set, Gazeta De Caracas, with an inscription by you, presented by a group of Venezuelan journalism students. This is a handsome set, and a most welcome addition to my library. The cooperative effort among the National Academy of History and the Shell and Creole Foundations to preserve this highly interesting account of Venezuelan history is especially noteworthy.

I was most pleased that we could receive a group of Venezuelan students at the White House, and regret that my schedule did not permit me to talk to them personally. It was a splendid, enthusiastic group of young people of which your country may be truly proud.

Again, Mr. President, thank you for your thoughtfulness, and my best wishes to you and to the Venezuelan people.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON Carbons stamped in Mr. Thomas' Office

His Excellency Raul Leoni President of Venezuela Caracas, Venezuela

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Please pass following message from President to President Leoni:

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For myself and the American people I thank you for your thoughtful expression of condolence on the death of former President Herbert Hoover. We are saddened by his passing but we are inspired by the humanitarian ideals which are his legacy. UNQUOTE

Department does not plan to release message, no objection if President Leoni wishes to do so. END

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MEMORANDUM

## THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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October 23, 1964

#### FOR GEORGE REEDY

Not knowing that you had already talked to Mr. Farley about his trip to Venezuela, I telephoned him today (I had heard that he might not go at all). He told me you had already arranged with our Embassy in Caracas to set up an appointment for him with President Leoni in the event he decided to make the trip.

Mr. Farley indicated that a letter to President Leoni would be "fine," but that he could get along without one.

Under the circumstances (I assume you're familiar with the purpose of Mr. Farley's trip), I don't think we should ask the President to write a letter. I would recommend that we just leave this where it is now.

Paul Popple

Attachments

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3 Hans Crescent, S.W. 1,

London, England.

President Romulo Betancourt,

Venezuelan Embassy,

Greatly appreciate your kind congratulations and birthday wishes. Hope and trust your current world tour providing you with well-earned rest.

Lyndon B. Johnson

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Inscription:
To Ignacio Iribarren Borges, able advocate of the cause of democracy before the Minth Foreign Ministers Meeting,
Lyndon B Johnson

For party other than one to whom addressed or delivered:

Sent or delivered to:

Mr. Benjamin H. Read Executive Secretary Department of State

by memo from Mr. McGeorge Bundy

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Dear Mr. President:

On July 31, 1964, cameras of the United States Spacecraft
Ranger VII successfully photographed the surface of the Moon
from close range. These photographs represent a very great
extension in our knowledge of the Moon. The detail of our perception has improved more in this one step than in the three
centuries of evolution of the earth-bound telescope. Having
dedicated their efforts to the exploration of outer space for
peaceful purposes, the people of the United States hope that
this knowledge -- and what is learned in the continuing explorations of the future -- will work to the ultimate benefit of
mankind in all lands.

It is, therefore, an honor and a privilege to present to you and your people on behalf of the people of the United States this special set of photographs of the Moon taken on the historic flight of the Ranger VII. These photographs symbolize the continuing desire of the United States that the benefits of this age of scientific discovery may be shared among all nations and all peoples for the cause of peace and human progress.

Sincerely,

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

His Excellency
Dr. Raul Leoni
President of the Republic of Venezuela
Caracas

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President of the Republic of Venezuela

Caracas, Venezuela

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ACTION: His Excellency Dr. Raul Leoni

On behalf of the people of the United States of America I thank you for your kind message of best wishes on the 188th anniversary of our nation's independence.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

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July 8, 1964

Ambassador C. Allan Stewart Air Force Hospital Andrews Air Force Base Washington, D. C.

I am deeply distressed to learn of your illness.

Your strength and leadership are sorely needed. You have
my best wishes for a complete and prompt recovery.

Lyndon B. Johnson

THE WHITE HOUSE

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HIS EXCELLENCY

DR. RAUL LEONI.

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA. CARACAS.

On this anniversary of the independence of Venezuela I am happy to send to Your Excellency and to the people of Venezuela congratulations and sincere good wishes from the people of the United States of America.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

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9/30/64

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I welcome the opportunity to send greetings to my fellow Americans living in Venezuela on the occasion of the 188th anniversary of our country's independence.

I express my appreciation for the efforts of the North American Association to foster more cordial relations and greater understanding based on the ideology and principles of our democracy and that of Venezuela.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

The Honorable C. Allan Stewart American Ambassador X Caracas, Venezuela

CC: Mr. Holborn and Central Files
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Mrs. Roberts
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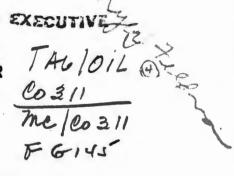
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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240



JUN 25 1964 ·

Dear Mr. President:

On June 23 Assistant Secretary of State G. Griffith Johnson and I met with President Leoni of Venezuela in his offices in the Miraflores Palace in Caracas. The objective of the mission was to explain to President Leoni the outlook for the oil import control program for the second half of 1964 as it will affect Venezuela.

In the course of these discussions President Leoni asked that I convey to you his personal regards, and his appreciation for the courtesy of the United States Administration in initiating the trip to Caracas to discuss the projected situation. The President expressed the hope that Venezuelan and American relations in petroleum would continue to be dealt with at the same high, friendly level.

Respectfully yours,

John M. Kelly

Assistant Secretary

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. - 20500

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June 8, 1964

Dear Walter:

I have been asked to express appreciation in behalf of the President for your thoughtfulness in sending him a color photograph taken at the opening of the Venezuelan Pavillion at the World's Fair. He was pleased to have the memento of that occasion.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Angier Biddle Duke

The Honorable Walter H.XBrandt,
Minister Counselor,
Embassy of Venezuela

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Photograph sent to Comment of 13/14. DRT.

June 8, 1964

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#### Dear Congressman:

The President was pleased to grant your request and I am happy to send you the enclosed autographed pictures for presenting to President Remule Betancourt of Venezuela and Enrique Tejera-Paris, Ambassador of Venezuela.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lawrence F. O'Brien Special Assistant to the President

Honorable John Brademas House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

Enclosures: 2 8x10 glossies of P. with the Ambassor, President and the P. auto: "LBJ"

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June 3, 1964

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Brief of Memorandum from Secretary Hodges

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This is a very fine recapitulation of the Secretary's recent trip to the five Central American nations, Colombia and Venezuela.

The purpose of the trip was to promote an expanded "two-way trade, two-way travel and two-way investment" between the United States and these nations. The Secretary especially stressed the purchase of U.S. heavy goods and equipment.

In his discussions, the Secretary emphasized U.S. sympathy for economic and social development, with U.S. assistance forthcoming relative to the energy and effort applied by these countries to helping themselves.

#### Observation of the Secretary

- l. Alliance for Progress continues to hold the interest of the Latin American people. The Secretary found solid evidence of an awakening social consciousness as a result of the Alliance to date.
- 2. Central American Common Market is moving along well, with 95% of internal tariffs to be removed by 1966. The Secretary emphasized that the U.S. wants to be a full trading partner as soon as possible.
- 3. U.S. Investment -- The Secretary's clear impression was that U.S. business could safely and profitably increase its investments in these 7 countries, if it followed certain criteria outlined by the countries themselves. This investment would be mutually advantageous.

The U.S. proposal for <u>less developed country investment tax</u> credit met with enthusiasm.

4. There is some fear in these countries that changes in U.S. policy concerning such things as sugar quotas, coffee prices, meat and oil importation and dual tariffs on melons and fruits will seriously disturb their major commodities upon which they rely for the bulk of their national income. The Secretary tried to be reassuring within the realm of political realities.

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June 3, 1964

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MEMORANDUM FOR

The Honorable Angier Biddle Duke

If you think acknowledgement from the White House of the enclosed snapshot necessary, may I have a suggested draft.

John J. McNally, Jr. Staff Assistant

Enclosure: Snapshot of President and Mrs. Johnson with other people from Walter H. Brandt -- Minister Counselor of the Embassy of Venezuela.

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Deliver following message President Leoni:

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April 3, 1964

Dear Mr. President:

The American people and I are most appreciative of your message of condolence over nature's rampage in Alaska. Your kind thoughts will be a comfort to our citizens during the 'long task of rebuilding.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

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April 1, 1964

Memorandum for - MRS. JUANITA ROBERTS

The White House

Subject: Record of Gifts sent to Venezuela by the President on the occasion of the Inauguration of Dr. Raul Leoni, the new President of Venezuela

March 11, 1964

For the record, the following Gifts were sent with the Presidential Delegation to Venezuela on the occasion of the Inauguration of Dr. Raul Leoni:

MAP CASE Map case containing 27 maps of the world

especially built by the National Geographic Society - bearing suitably engraved plaque.

CLOCK

Gold ACCUTRON clock (Bulova) with engraved top in leather case with Presidential seal stamped on silk lining of case.

PHOTOGRAPH - Autographed photograph of the President in sterling silver frame with Presidential seal.

As per your request, I enclose herewith photographs of these gifts.

thing also sent to 3/19/45

R. Constance Calenberg
Office of the Chief of Protocol

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Copies to: Mrs. Lucy Ferguson, Miss Dorothy Torreito

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March 31, 1964

Dear Dr. Garcia:

The President has asked me to thank you for your letter of Harch 22nd and accompanying clippings and press statements, relating to your recent trip to Venesuela as a member of the American Delegation to the Inauguration of President Leoni.

The President is happy to have your fine report and naturally pleased to learn of the general feeling displayed toward him in the areas you mentioned.

He sends you his warmest regards and his appreciation of your continuing friendship and support.

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry, Assistant

Dr. Hector P. Garcia 3021, Morgan Avenue Corpus Christi, Texas

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#### THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

March 6, 1964

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

United States Delegation to the Subject: Inauguration of the President of the Republic of Venezuela

This Government has accepted the invitation of the Government of the Republic of Venezuela to be represented at the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of His Excellency Dr. Raul Leoni as President of the Republic of Venezuela, which are scheduled to be held at Caracas from March 9 through 13, 1964.

I recommend for your approval that Stewart Lee Udall, Secretary of the Interior, and C. Allan Stewart, our Ambassador to Venezuela, be designated your Personal Representatives, with the rank of Special Ambassador, to attend these ceremonies. Secretary Udall would head the United States Delegation.

I also recommend that the following-named persons be designated your Representatives, with the rank of Special Ambassador:

Dr. Hector Garcia, of Texas
Gerald A. Lamb, of Connecticut
Mrs. Agnes E. Meyer, of the District
Of Columbia of Columbia

Mrs. Aline BxSaarinen, of New York James A. Suffridge, of the District of Columbia

There are enclosed letters accrediting Secretary Udall and Ambassador Stewart as your Personal Representatives.

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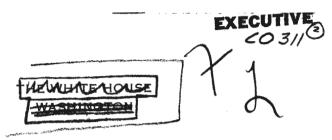
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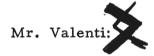
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Liz Carpenter called as follows:

"Tell him that perhaps the President would want to name AGNES MEYER to go to the Venezuelan Inauguration right away. She is cruising in those water aboard the yacht,

Panda. Recommended by Drew Pearson."

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THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR

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March 4, 1964

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR WALTER JENKINS -

It has been my experience that it is both wise and necessary for the head of a mission to a Presidential inaugural abroad to have two or three staff people along to be certain that all arrangements and details are handled smoothly.

With regard to the delegation to Caracas, I recommend that the following people serve as members of my official staff:

- 1) John M. Kelly, Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources
- 2) J. Cordell Moore, Administrator, Oil Import Administration

(These two men are well known to leading \_\_ Venezuelan officials as they handled the details of the vital oil import program.)

3) Charles K. Boatner, my Director of Information, to handle press relations.

Stewart L. Udall Secretary of the Interior

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March 2, 1964

#### Memorandum for THE PRESIDENT

The White House

Subject: Photograph for the new President of Venezuela

The Presidential Delegation attending the Inauguration Ceremonies of the new President of Venezuela will depart this weekend. They will take with them not only the two gifts ordered for presentation in your behalf, but an autographed photograph for the new President.

The photograph should be inscribed to:

HIS EXCELLENCY DR. RAUL LEONI

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA

We recommend a silver frame with Presidential seal.

Angier Biddle Duke Chief of Protocol

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Mrs. Roberts, Mr. Valenti, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Moyers, Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. Abell Mrs Lucy Ferguson p

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February 24, 1964.

Mrs. Sue Vogelsinger Press Office The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Vogelsinger:

This is to confirm the permission given by President

Rómulo Betancourt to have the letter he wrote to Caroline and

John Jr., on November 26, 1963 used by Mr. Salinger and Mr.

Vanocur in the book of tributes they are doing, as it was requested in your letter of February 1, 1964.

May I add, and I will appreciate your telling Mr. Salinger, that President Betancourt was very glad to comply with his request.

Sincerely yours,

Ambassador of Venezuela

Nothing else sent to 3/10/64

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 4, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Further information on Colonel Chenault in Venezuela:

Our last report, as of 1 P.M. yesterday, indicates that a U. S. correspondent was taken clandestinely by the FIAN (terrorists) to see Chenault. He was well, being kept captive in a private house, required to stay in bed in pajamas, and guarded by three men. Chenault told the U. S. correspondent that he was being well treated.

Venezuelan military and security forces have under surveillance several houses in which Chenault may be held captive, but they are reluctant to move in lest it endanger his life.

Ralph A. Dungan

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INCIDENT OCCUPRED. NO FURTHER DETAILS. STEWART

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