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LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON'S CONTACTS WITH KONRAD ADENAUER

April 9, 1953	White House luncheon (first visit of Chancellor Adenauer to United States)
Name 48, 1956	Germany Embassy - evening reception
May 28, 1957	Luncheon at the Capitol given by Vice President Nixon
March 15, 196Q	White House luncheon
March 17, 1960	Chancellor Adenauer had a 25-minute conference with Senator Johnson at the Capitol before the Chancellor lunched with members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee:
April 12, 1961	White House luncheon
April 16-17, 1961	. Chancellor Adenauer visited the LBJ Ranch
August 18-20, 1961	Vice President Johnson traveled to Germany
November 21, 1961	White House luncheon
November 14, 1962	White House luncheon

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Contacts with Chancellors and Foreign Ministers of Germany

Willy Brandt (Chancellor and Foreign Minister)

Feb. 8, 1967

5:19p - 6:09p (Oval Rm Ofe)

Ludwig Erhard (Chancellor of Germany)

Nov. 26, 1963

12:00 - 12:30p

(Cabinet Room w/President Heinrich Luebke of Germany and German Foreign Minister Dr. Gerhard Schroeder)

Dec. 28, 1963

10:10a - 9:50pm (arrived at Bergstrom AFB then to LBJ Ranch as guest)

Dec. 29, 1963

9:05a - 4:30pm (at LBJ Ranch)

June 12, 1964

11:30a - 12:52p (Oval Rm Ofc) 4:34p - 5:23p (Cabinet Rm) 8:00p - (State Dinner at Mansion)

June 4, 1965

12:30p - 1:30p (Oval Rm Ofc) 1:45p - 3:00p (Luncheon in his honor at Mansion)

Dec. 20, 1965

11:31a - 1:10p (Oval Rm Ofc) 8:47p - 12:00 mid (State Dinner at Mansion)

Dec. 21, 1965

11:10a - 12:15p (Oval Rm Ofc)

Sept. 26, 1966

11:36a - 1:22p (Oval Rm Ofc and Cab Rm Mtg) 8:30p - 12:18a (State Dinner at Mansion)

Sept. 27, 1966

11:25a - 12:25p (Oval Rm Ofc) 2:25p - 8:55pm (To Cape Kennedy with)

Dr. Gerhard Schroeder Minister of Foreign Affairs of Germany

Nov. 26, 1963	12:00 - 12:30p (Cabinet Room w/President Heinrich Luebke of Germany and German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard)
Dec. 28, 1963 and Dec. 29, 1963	10:10a - 9:50pm (accompanied Chancellor Erhard to LB5 Rench)
June 12, 1964	Accompanied Chancellor Erhard 12:40 - 12:50p 4:34p - 5:23p (Cabinet Room) 8:00p - (State Dinner at Mansion)
June 4, 1965	1:45p - 3:00p (Luncheon honoring German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard)
Dec. 20, 1965	12:45p - 1:10p (Oval Rm Ofc) w/German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard 8:47p - 12:00 mid (State Dinner honoring German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard
Sept. 26, 1966	1:06p - 1:22p (Cab Rm Mtg w/ Chancellor Ludwig Erhard) 8:30p - 12:18a (State Dinner honoring Chancellor Erhard)
Sept. 27, 1966	2:25p - 8:55pm (accompanied Chancellor Erhard and President Johnson to Cape Kennedy)

August 22, 1956

My dear Mr. Chencellors

I am very sorry that I was unable to arrange a meeting with Dr. Heinrich Krone. Unfortunately, he arrived during a period when my activities were such that I was unable to leave the Senate Floor.

I hope that on the next occasion a meeting can be arranged. I have written to Dr. Krone expressing my regrets.

With assurances of highest esteen, I am

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

The Honorable Conrad Adensuer The Federal Chancellor Bonn, Germany

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Bundesrepublik Deutschland Der Bundeskanzler

Bonn, den 19. Juli 1956

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Sehr verehrter Herr Senator,

Der Vorsitzende der Fraktion der Christlich Demokratischen -Christlich Sozialen Union im Deutschen Bundestag, Herr Dr. Heinrich Krone, wird auf Einladung der amerikanischen Regierung vom 25.Juli bis 7. September die Vereinigten Staaten besuchen. Ich wäre Ihnen sehr dankbar, wenn Sie Herrn Dr. Krone auf seiner Informationsreise Gelegenheit geben würden, mit Ihnen ein Gespräch zu führen und wäre Ihnen daher verbunden, wenn Sie die Freundlichkeit hätten, Herrn Dr. Krone zu empfangen.

Die Deutsche Botschaft in Washington ist über das Programm des Herrn Dr. Krone unterrichtet und wird sich erlauben, bei Ihrem Sekretariat wegen eines geeigneten Termins anzufragen.

Mit der Versicherung meiner ausgzeichneten Hochachtung

Ihr sehr ergebener

Herrn

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson Vorsitzender der R_epublikanischen Fraktion des amerikanischen Senates

Washington D.C.

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TRANSLATION

Federal Republic of Germany
The Federal Chancellor

Bonn July 19, 1956

My dear Senator:

Following an invitation by the United States Government, Dr. Heinrich Krone, Chairman of the Parliamentary Group of the Christian Democratic - Christian Social Union in the German Bundestag, will visit the United States between July 25 and September 7.

I would be most grateful if you could give Dr. Krone an opportunity to see you during his visit.

The German Embassy in Washington is informed of Dr. Krone's schedule and will take the liberty of checking with your office concerning a convenient date for an appointment.

With the assurance of my highest consideration,

Yours very sincerely,

(signed) Adenauer

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
The Senate of the United States
Washington, D.C.

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December 18, 1956

My dear Mr. Chancellor:

I deeply regretted the events that compelled me to cancel my plans for a visit with you while I was in Europe. I had been looking forward to the occasion with keen anticipation.

I trust there will be another opportunity, and, meanwhile, please accept my assurances of high esteem and warm regards.

Sincerely yours,

Lyadon B. Johnson

His Excellency
Dr. Kongad Adenaues
Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

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December 5, 1956.

Honorable Lyndon Johnson Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

Senator George has asked me to send you the enclosed cablegram which he has received from Chancellor Adenauer, expressing his regret at not having seen you during your recent visit abroad.

Sincerely yours,

Bonn Telex via WU Cables 90 1/50 4 1115

Senator Walter F. George United States Senate Capitol Hill Wash D.C.

Thank you for your telegram of November 14 in which you advised me that Senator Johnson intended to visit the Federal Republic.

I have just heard that Senator Johnson returned to the United States directly from Paris because of the seriousness of the world situation. I would have been happy to have seen Senator Johnson. Please express to him my regrets that this has not been possible because of his return.

Adenauer Chancellor.

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May 29, 1957

My dear Mr. Chancellor:

It was a great pleasure to have the opportunity to visit with you yesterday and my own feelings as to the security of freedom in this world are strengthened by the knowledge that your country has produced such an able leader.

It was generous of you to appear on the television program with me. As a memento of your visit, please accept, with my highest compliments and regards, this print of the film that was taken on that occasion.

Sincerely,

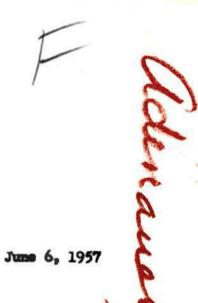
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TRANSLATION (German)

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Your Adenauer

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson Senate Democratic Leader Washington, D.C., USA

Translated by George Starosolsky July 9, 1957

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : H - Mr. John S. Leahy, Jr.

DATE: May 24, 1957

FROM : GPA - Robert C. Creel

SUBJECT: Points Senator Lyndon B. Johnson might use if Circumstances call for

Remarks about Chancellor Adenauer

As of possible assistance to Senator Johnson in connection with the above subject I am transmitting herewith copies of suggestions that have been made to the President, the Vice-President and Secretary Dulles for toasts at various social functions where Chancellor Adenauer will be the guest of honor.

In addition to any thoughts he may glean for remarks of his own from this material, Senator Johnson might wish to have the following thoughts in mind, to develop as circumstances seem to warrant:

- 1. The Chancellor is a firm, understanding and tested friend of the U.S., who has led his country with outstanding capability along the path of German-American cooperation not only in political affairs but in the economic and cultural fields as well.
- 2. The Chancellor has repeatedly shown his unalterable opposition to totalitarianism. Driven from political life in the middle of a successful career and jailed by Hitler, he outlasted the Nazis and rose to lead his country in resistance to Communist encroachment from within and without. The Communist Party was outlawed by the German Supreme Court in 1950, but long before that they had been thoroughly beaten at the ballot box and held no seats in the German Bundestag after Adenauer's sweeping election victory of 1953. In external affairs the Chancellor's firm resistance to Soviet threats against Germany for supporting EDC and joining NATO is well known/.
- 3. We cannot view the Chancellor simply as an outstanding German, he has shown himself to be an outstanding international statesman with a long record of leadership in the effort to achieve the integration and unity of Europe and to build up the strength of the free world. His endeavors have taken concrete form in the leading role he has played in the establishment of the Coal and Streel Community, EURATOM and Common Market.

Attachments:

Copies of Proposed Toasts (3).

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PRESIDENT ELSENHOWER S LUNCH FOR CHANCELLOR ADENAUER

MONDAY, MAY 27

PROPOSED TOAST BY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. Chancellor, Ladies and Gentlemen:

In this house we follow a long-standing American tradition of simplicity and directness. Elaborate toasts and flowery compliments are not the usual thing here.

I would like, though, to take a minute to say how pleased Mrs. Eisenhower and I are to have you, Mr. Chancellor, and your party as guests here today. After all, we have been waiting for the opportunity for almost a year and while you may have been deprived of lunch last year I was deprived of more than that.

Speaking seriously, I have been grateful for the opportunity to talk with you fully, frankly and at length during your visit this year. For me it served to cement the conviction that the basic community of aims and ideals which both our countries share is a very real thing. I would like to add that through your steadfastness and your devotion to our common objectives,

Mr. Chancellor, you have done as much as any other single person I can think of to translate this underlying mutuality of interest into the reality of working policies.

Let me then propose a toast to President Heuss of the Federal Republic of Germany and to the German people whose distinguished leadership is so well represented here today.

VICE PRESIDENT NIXON'S LUNCH FOR CHANCELLOR ADENAUER TUESDAY, MAY 28

PROPOSED TOAST BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. Chancellor, Distinguished Guests:

This seems to me a very pleasant occasion and also one that has a very practical significance. Politics is a practical business as all of you in this room are well aware. It is not enough to be animated by high ideals and fine aims; they must be translated into action if they are to be of real meaning and helpful to the people that political leaders represent. I do not think I need to remind our other distinguished guests that you, Mr. Chancellor, are one of the outstanding examples in the world today of a man who has demonstrated the ability to turn high ideals into political realities. This has been shown particularly for us in the steady growth of close and dependable relations between Germany and the United States ever since your Government was established in 1949.

Knowing what an accomplished man you are in the field of practical politics, I was very much interested to note, during your visit last year, that you spoke to the press at one point about the importance of cultivating political friendships through free and frank discussion. It is in this sense that I think our meeting here today has practical significance. It is by such meetings and through the free and frank interchange of ideas that we can best work to maintain the common policies which our two countries must follow in the effort to establish freedom and justice in a climate of peace throughout the world.

We have welcomed your visit to our Congress, Mr. Chancellor, and we are always glad to talk with members of your Government and your Parliament (Bundestag)

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when they are in Washington. Recently we ourselves have had a very kind invitation from the President of your Bundestag, Dr. Gerstenmeier, which I expect will lead to visits to Bonn by a number of cur lawmakers later this year.

Let us, then, join in a toast to President Heuss of the Federal Republic of Germany and to the continuing development of closer relations between the people of our two countries.

STATE DINNER FOR CHANCELLOR ADENAUER

MONDAY, MAY 27

PROPOSED OUTLINE OF TOAST BY SECRETARY DULLFS

On May 1 in Bonn the Secretary spoke to Chancellor Adenauer about Germany's true influence in world affairs, the Chancellor's role in bringing this about, the pride Germans might take in this development, and the need for a concomitant assumption of responsibility by the German people. These thoughts would seem to provide a good basis for remarks at the dinner.

Mr. Chancellor, Ladies and Gentlemen:

- 1. United States leadership in world affairs and the burdens that this has brought to our country have become so widely accepted that references to them have come to sound like cliches.
- 2. At the same time the developing strength and role of Germany have been a growing thing and I think not enough notice has been taken of this.
- 3. This growth is symbolized in the person of our guest of honor, Chancellor Adenauer, whose actions have contributed immeasurably to the process.
- 4. Even as it has been true for the United States, so is it true for Germany: The needs of the age impose burdens on those who can bear them in responsible fashion.
- 5. We are accustomed to thinking of Germany's astonishing recovery of strength, and to linking it in our minds with the work Chancellor Adenauer has done.
- 6. In my view the most significant part of his work is yet to come into view. This is the way in which he has established policies and led the German people toward the habit of acting in responsible fashion and always on the

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basis of the ideals vital to the maintenance and progress of civilization and, indeed, of humanity.

7. I should like to propose a toast, Ladies and Gentlemen, to President
Heuss of the German Federal Republic and to the German Government whose outstanding leader, Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, is with us here tonight.

Took Adenauer letter (and translation) to Miss Hendricks for framing according to Lady Bird's directions.

Miss Hendricks (Mrs. Colcaire taking care of this for her) is at CO 5-1529.

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United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

July 10, 1957

Juanita:

He said he thinks this is a fine idea and said for you to take care of it.

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United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

George --

Should this be acknowledged?

Sen. Johnson agreed with your suggestion about framing the Adenauer letters and he sent the short one over to Juanita to carry out the mission.

This one was some place else on his desk and I retreived it this morning.

Please prepare an answer if necessary, or send it to Juanita to be framed with the other one.

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United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

July 9,1957

Senator:

Why don't you have this
letter and the translation framed
(similarly to the Sam Houston
correspondence) and hung in the
ranch house for the delectation of
Kowert, Schmidt, Dietel and other
Fredericksburg folks? Eye have a
hunch they would get a kick out of
it.

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My Dear Mr. Chancellor:

The Embassy has just forwarded to me your very fine letter, and I appreciated it greatly. I considered it a great privilege to have the opportunity of discussing problems and exchanging views with you, and I hope that I will have another opportunity in the future.

With assurances of highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency
The Federal Chancellor
The Federal Republic of Germany

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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

I have tried to find out what became of the letter that I dictated to the Chancellor. Apparently it must have been mailed from my office and I have no way of knowing what happened to it.

To be on the safe side, I have had an exact duplicate made which I am enclosing. Please explain the circumstances to the Chancellor in the event two identical letters appear on his desk.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency
The Ambassador of Germany
Washington, D. C.

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IDENTICAL IETTER TO ONE DATED JULY 12 ENCLOSED

July 12, 1957

My Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you very much for transmitting Chancellor Adenauer's letter to me. I hope you will reciprocate and transmit the enclosed letter to him.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency
The Ambassador of Germany
Washington, D. C.

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GERMAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 5, 1957

My dear Senator:

I am sending you herewith a letter, with translation, which I have received from the Chancellor for transmission to you.

Sincerely yours,

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson Senate Office Building Washington, D. C. Sehr geehrter Herr Senator!

Ihr freundliches Schreiben vom 29. Mai 1957 hat mich im Augenblick des Abflugs aus Washington erreicht. Ich danke Ihnen sehr für das Tonband über unser Gespräch, an das ich sehr gerne zurückdenke.

Mit dem Ausdruck meiner ausgezeichneten Hochachtung und verbindlichen Grüssen

(Adenauer)

Herrn
Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Democratic Leader
Washington D.C.
U.S.A.



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TRANSLATION (German)

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March 22, 1960

Dear Mr. Chancellor:

I was glad that we had the opportunity to renew our friendship when you were in Washington last week. I deeply appreciate your coming by the office.

You will remember that during our conversation I invited you to come to my part of Texas which is so much like your own country --- the area around Fredericksburg, Texas. Since our visit, Mr. Norman Dietel, the editor of the Fredericksburg Radio Post, has asked me to extend you a very special invitation from the people of that town to visit them at your first opportunity.

I know these people well. They would give you a grand welcome. And I would be very happy to join them in assuring you a fully enjoyable stay. Perhaps one day you will be able to accept our invitation and will come to see us.

As you return to the great duties before you, I want to assure you of my very sincere appreciation for the leadership you are providing the people of your nation and of the free world. You have my deepest admiration.

Sincerely yours,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency

Dr. Konrad Adenauer

Chancellor, Federal Republic of Germany

Bonn, Germany LBJ:BRM:ah

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Sehr geehrter Herr Senator!

Für Ihren Brief vom 22. März und die freundlichen Worte, die Sie mir darin widmen, danke ich Ihnen sehr. Auch ich habe mich sehr gefreut, daß wir während meines Besuches in Washington Gelegenheit zu einer kurzen Aussprache hatten.

Ihrer Einladung, einmal Ihren Heimatstaat Texas zu besuchen, will ich gerne bei meinem nächsten Amerikabesuch nachkommen. Ich habe sehr viel über diesen - selbst für amerikanische Verhältnisse - außergewöhnlichen Staat gelesen und weiß von dem starken deutschstämmigen Einfluß in der Bevölkerung von Fredericksburg. Ein Besuch Fredericksburgs und seiner Umgebung würde mich daher besonders interessieren. Darf ich Sie bitten, dem Herausgeber der "Radio Post", Herrn Norman Dietel, meinen herzlichsten Dank für die ausgesprochene Einladung zu übermitteln. Ich würde mich sehr freuen, wenn Sie selbst einmal die Bundesrepublik besuchen würden. Wir hätten dann Gelegenheit, unsere Gespräche fortzusetzen.

Mit herzlichen Grüßen bin ich

Ihr

(Adenauer)

Herrn
Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Democratic Leader
Senate Building
Washington D.C.

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BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND DER BUNDESKANZLER

Bonn, April 20, 1960

My dear Senator:

For your letter of March 22 and kind words which you devoted to me, I want to thank you very much. I, too, was very happy that during my visit to Washington we were able to have the opportunity of a brief discussion.

Your invitation to visit in due course your home state of Texas, I shall gladly accept and bring to reality on the occasion of my next visit to the United States. I have read myself a great deal about that state which is extraordinary even when you consider the greatness of the United States; and I know of the strong influence the German origin has had on the population of Fredericksburg, Texas. A visit to Fredericksburg and the surrounding countryside would be of extreme interest to me.

May I ask you to convey to the editor or publisher of "Radio Post," Mr. Norman Dietel, my cordial expressions of gratitude for the similar invitation extended by him.

I should be very happy if you would at some time or other pay a visit to the Federal Republic of Germany. We would then have an opportunity to continue our conversations.

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> Translated by: Edwin M. Byles

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United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

George --

Sen. Johnson wants you to
put on a little card something
for him to say about Adenauer.

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The Vice President Firequests the pleasure of the company of Senator Johnson at luncheon on Tuesday, May trenty-eighth one o'dock Old Supreme Court Chamler United States Capital It is requested that the reply be sent to The Assistant Ceremonial Officer Protocol Staff The Department of State Sehr geehrter Herr Senator!

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May 24, 1960

Dear Norman:

I thought you might like to have a copy of the letter that Chancellor Adenauer wrote me. I know you are as pleased as I that he plans a visit to our part of the state.

With warm good wishes.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

Mr. Norman Dietel
The Radio Post
Fredericksburg, Texas

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November 30, 1960

Dear Mr. Chancellor:

I wish to thank you very much for your very kind telegram of congratulations and your expression of best wishes for the success of the new Administration.

I deeply appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency
Dr. Konrad Adenauer
Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
Bonn, Germany

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Lieber Herr Senator,

zu Ihrer Wahl als Vizepräsident der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika sende ich Ihnen meine herzlichen Glückwünsche.

Eingedenk unserer für beide Seiten so fruchtbaren Aussprache im März dieses Jahres hoffe ich auf weitere gute Zusammenarbeit.

In freundschaftlicher Verbundenheit

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Herrn Senator B. Johnson Washington D.C. Senate Office Building



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April 16, 1961

Dear Dr. Adenauer:

In the years of your leadership, the people of the Federal Republic of Germany have carried forward under freedom a highly successful development program. The industry, enterprise and dedication of your countrymen in those efforts are qualities long known and respected in my native state of Texas.

Before Texas was a Republic or a State, in the early 1800's, German families seeking freedom and peace settled the lower valley of the Colorado River. Today this valley is one of America's --- and freedom's --- proudest showpieces and decendants of the pioneers from your country have made a major contribution to this achievement.

Associated with this program throughout my public service --- and with these fine people all my life --- I am greatly privileged to show you, as recounted in this brochure, the works wrought in this valley by men of many heritages united in devotion to and faith in the free life.

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16. April 1961

Verehrter Herr Bundeskanzler,

In den Jahren Ihrer Staatsleitung hat die Bevölkerung der Bundesrepublik Deutschland im Zeichen der Freiheit eine überaus erfolgreiches Entwicklungsprogramm durchgeführt. Der Fleiss, der Unternehmungsgeist, und die Hingabe Ihrer Landsleute an dieses Werk ist in meinem Heimatstaat Texas seit langem bekannt und bewundert.

Noch bevor Texas eine Republik oder ein Staat war, in den ersten Jahren des Jahrhunderts, besiedelten deutsche Familien auf der Suche nach Frieden und Freiheit das untere Tal des Coloradoflusses. Heute ist dieses Tal eine der stattlichsten Sehenswürdigkeiten Amerikas --- und der freien Welt --- und die Nachkommen der Pioniere aus Ihrer Heimat Haben dabei ergiebig mitgeholfen.

Da ich mit diesem Projekt während meiner ganzen öffentlichen Tätigkeit verbunden bin --- und mit diesen wackeren Menschen während meines ganzen Lebens --- empfinde ich es als eine Ehre Ihnen mit Hilfe dieser Broschüre die Errungenschaften Zu zeigen die in diesem Tale Menschen mannigfachster Herkunft, aber geeint in ihrer Hingabe und ihrem Glauben an die Freiheit, zustande gebracht haben.

Mit besonderer Hochachtung

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Seiner Excellenz Herrn Dr. Konrad Adenauer Bundeskanzler der Bundesrepublik Deutschland OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

Cliff ======

Here is the Busby draft prepared in letter form for signature, LBJ's letter to Dr. Adenauer for the brochure.

Please check the date I chose ---- is it correct?

Also, another correct salutation would be:

Dear Mr. Chancellor:

I chose the Dear Dr. Adenauer thinking it sounded a little friendlier, a little more personal, a little closer. They are equally correct --- it is a matter of the Vice President's preference.

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This is a long-promised and long-awaited visit from a friend of long-standing.

Over the past eight years, Chancellor Adenauer and I have talked often of Texas. He has been deeply interested in our ranching and farming, in the LCRA program, in the rapid urbanization of our state and our growing industrialization. Most of all, he has been keenly interested in the contribution Americans of German descent have made here in Central Texas.

Nearly a year ago Dr. Adenauer advised me that on his next visit to the United States -- regardless of the outcome of our elections -- he wanted to visit with Texas. Today his wish is fulfilled and all Texans are greatly honored by the presence of this great leader.

Dr. Adenauer comes as a neighbor to visit with and among our neighbors in the Hill Country. We are not here to talk politics or affairs of state. This will be a happy and friendly weekend together -- symbolic of the warm, strong and affectionate ties which have existed for more than a century between his country and this section of America.

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What this Hill Country of Texas is has been made possible in large measure by the toil, effort and devotion of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of men and women who came here from Germany seeking freedom and peace.

I am highly honored to be able to show this country to America's good friend -- one of the world's champions of freedom -- Chancellor Adenauer. What has been done here to bring a better life to all the people has been done throughout America in only a few generations. We may hope that under freedom such progress may soon come for all regions of the world.

Dr. Adenauer will leave tomorrow returning to Germany directly from Austin. I know he will take with him the renewed good wishes and the continuing great admiration of all Texans and all Americans. This great man and the people of his great country are bulwarks in the strength of the Western world and we are grateful for the resolve Dr. Adenauer has brought to the leadership of our common cause.

We stand together as allies and today we sit down together as friends, proud of the unity among us, confident before the challenges which confront us.

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REMARKS BY VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON APRIL 16, 1961

Dr. Adenauer, you are tonight in young country. Because you yourself are young at heart, I am sure you have found the youth and vigor of this land to your liking.

When you yourself were still a young boy this was the frontier country of America. Indians rode here. Your intrepid countrymen who settled these hills went about their daily pursuits never knowing when the next instant might bring attack upon the security of their homes and families. Even like your own countrymen today, they knew they had to be always alert, live always prepared.

As the pioneers rode about in their work, they learned that the margin between security and danger was the speed of their mounts. To draw forth that extra margin they began the use of the spur. Today the farmer and the cowboy has less need for spurs as he goes to work in his pickup truck -- or his Volkswagon.

But having had some experience with the processes and arts of government, I know that the spur is still most useful to those who engage in political leadership of free governments.

For that reason, I have had made for you here in Texas a set of spurs. In your dealings with the government of your country, you may find these useful in bringing forth that extra margin of effort which means safety and security for the homes of free men everywhere.

Take these with you as a reminder of the warmth and affection of your Texas friends and neighbors -- and as an expression of my personal esteem as your admirer, friend and colleague in the works of freedom.

REMARKS BY VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON INTRODUCTION OF CHANCELLOR ADENAUER FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS APRIL 16, 1961

Many thousands of miles separate the city of Fredericksburg, Texas from the city of Bonn, Germany. But there is no distance between the will of the people of America and the will of the people of Germany to stand against the enemies of freedom.

Today -- as in the time of our forefathers -- that will to be free is the strongest force in the world.

More than a century ago men gave up their homes, their farms, their trades and their friendships in Germany to come across the seas to establish the city of Fredericksburg in the hills of Texas. They made those great sacrifices so that their children -- and their children's children -- could live in freedom and peace. In the years since, when duty called, sons of these hills -- and sons of homes all over America -- have left behind the cherished things of home to go forth to the battles for freedom.

From this town of Fredericksburg came one of the great leaders of freedom's forces in World War II -- Admiral Chester Nimitz. From another Texas town -- out of the same German stock -- came still another to lead the greatest army free men have ever assembled -- Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The devotion to liberty -- the willingness to make personal sacrifice in freedom's name -- are qualities that have never waned among the heirs of those who came from abroad seeking freedom in this new world. We love peace. We hate war. But we hate tyranny and love freedom more. We want those who stand with us -- and those who stand against us -- to understand that this generation of Americans is ready and willing to do whatever is required to make freedom secure in our times.

No continent, no nation, no people, no race has a monopoly on the love of freedom. That love of freedom is universal. Tyrannies may repress the flame of freedom but none can ever extinguish that flame. None can ever extinguish that flame so long as there live men such as the man with us today -- a man whose life and leadership symbolizes the devotion and dedication to freedom of men of courage everywhere. The man who is our guest is a great man. He comes to be with us today not as statesman, not as head of state, not as the great man we know him to be -- but, rather, as a friend, as neighbor, as ally in support of freedom and partner in the works of peace.

It is my highest honor and my very great privilege to present to you now one of the living heroes of the free world, Dr. Konrad Adenauer.

VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON INTRODUCTION OF CHANCELLOR ADENAUER THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE, JOINT SESSION APRIL 17, 1961

This is a proud moment for the people of Texas.

Our state -- like our nation -- is a land of many heritages. Men of many tongues have come here, lived together, worked together, and together have learned to speak the language of freedom.

In our world today, no man speaks that language of freedom with greater clarity or greater force or greater inspiration than the man who does us the great honor of his presence today, Doctor Konrad Adenauer.

Standing in the jaws of grave danger at the edge of the Free World, he has shown a personal courage and unfailing resolution which will be honored so long as men are free anywhere on this earth.

All Americans admire this man, but we in Texas can feel a special affinity for him.

More than one hundred years ago -- in 1842 -- there began coming to Texas the first of what was to be a great tide of families from Germany. Throughout the years, as Texas became a Republic and then a state, these fine people have made a great contribution to our region, to our nation, and to the cause we support in concert with free men everywhere now.

The German people who have meant so much to Texas came here seeking freedom and seeking peace. What led those early families to our state is the goal that leads our guest to this country now -- the support of freedom and the quest for peace.

The leaders and the peoples of all the Western nations are determined all that can be done shall be done, first, to provide the strength to preserve our freedom and, second, to make sure that if efforts to guarantee peace fail, the failure will not be the responsibility of the free nations.

I speak for our own President when I say that the United States will not hesitate to walk the last mile -- to go more than half way -- to assure peace with honor for the world. I can say that with equal resolve that until such peace is assured the United States will retreat not an inch, move not an eyelash, hesitate not a fraction of a moment in maintaining the strength to defend the free world.

I would say to you, my friends of Texas, and to my good and longtime friend, Dr. Adenauer, that the people of the United States have a man of courage, wisdom and vigor equal to his grave responsibilities as their President: John F. Kennedy.

At our President's request, I have just completed a 13,000 mile mission into the world -- to Africa, to Geneva, to NATO, to France. That was a first mission for freedom and peace -- there will be more. The leadership of America understands its responsibilities, welcomes its opportunities, and is ready now to go wherever and whenever duty calls to assure the success of our great cause.

The security of Free Germany and Free Berlin is our security.

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The freedom of all men is our concern.

The betterment of life for all peoples -- of all races, all religions and all regions of earth -- is our objective.

We recognize the perils but we have faith in our prayers. Keeping our faith we shall overcome those perils.

The honor now is mine -- the rare and high privilege -- of presenting to you a man who has kept great faith -- a man who has overcome great perils -- a man who is an authentic giant of our times, the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, Dr. Konrad Adenauer.

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

Thought you might like to see Adenauer's thank-you letter. Afterwards, I'll pass the letter on to Juanita for archives.

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Liber from Higgswifinant,

Nachdem ich die Arbeit in Bonn wieder aufgenommen habe, drängt es mich, Ihnen und Mrs. Johnson meinen von Herzen kommenden Dank für die äußerst liebenswürdige Gastfreundschaft auszusprechen, die Sie mir, Herrn von Brentano und meiner Begleitung in Texas erwiesen haben.

Die Tage auf Ihrer Ranch in Stonewall, in Fredericksburg und in Austin werden mir unvergeßlich bleiben. Die außerordentliche Herzlichkeit, mit der ich empfangen wurde, hat mich tief bewegt. Ich sehe darin ein Zeichen für die tiefgehende Freundschaft, die sich zwischen unseren Völkern entwickelt hat, und die, wie ich annehme, alle Stürme und Gefahren überdauern wird.

Bitte übermitteln Sie den Bürgermeistern von Stonewall, Fredericksburg und Austin sowie den Präsidenten der beiden Häuser von Texas meine herzlichen Grüße.

Seiner Exzellenz

dem Vizepräsidenten der Vereinigten
Staaten von Amerika

Herrn Lyndon B. Johnson
Washington

Ihnen, lieber Herr Johnson, möchte ich besonders für die Mühe danken, die Sie sich mit der Vorbereitung des so glänzend verlaufenen Besuches in Texas gegeben haben, sowie für die bedeutungsvollen Worte, die Sie für Deutschland und Berlin gefunden haben.

Ich danke Ihnen und Mrs. Johnson nochmals für die überaus herzliche Aufnahme auf Ihrer Ranch und hoffe, Sie beide bald wiederzusehen.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

(TRANSLATION)

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The Federal Republic of Germany

The Federal Chancellor

Bonn, April 20, 1961

Dear Mr. Vice President:

Now that I have resumed my work in Bonn, I feel the urge to express to you and Mrs. Johnson my heartfelt thanks for the very kind hospitality shown to me, to Herr von Brentano and to my party in Texas.

The days at your ranch at Stonewall, in Fredericksburg and in Austin will remain unforgettable. The great cordiality with which I was received moved me deeply. To me this is a sign of the firm friendship that has grown up between our peoples, which, I believe, will survive all storms and dangers.

Please convey my heartfelt greetings to the mayors of Stonewall, Fredericksburg and Austin, as well as to both houses of the Texas legislature.

His Excellency

Lyndon B. Johnson,

Vice President of the

United States of America,

Washington

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I wish to thank you, my dear Mr. Johnson, particularly for the trouble you took in preparing the brilliantly successful visit in Texas, and also for your significant words on Germany and Berlin.

Once more I wish to thank you and Mrs. Johnson for the most cordial reception at your ranch and hope that I may soon see you both again.

With the best wishes.

Yours,

K. Adenauer

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

31 May 61

Walter Jenkins:

The album of photos is now at the State Department. It will be transmitted within the next day or so to American Embassy, Bonn, for delivery to Adenauer. Will you please sign the attached letter and return it to me and I will forward it along with the motion picture film to State.

P.S. Juanita Roberts has the roll of motion picture film for Mr. Johnson.

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON

Col. Burris:

Please try to straighten this top one out. Mr. Johnson says he does not think an album of photographs has already been sent and if so he would like to see what went, Also, where is the roll of motion picture film? Is there a roll for Mr. Johnson?

Please ask Mary to put initials on the carbons (two white and one yellow tissue copies for this office) of letters you write and she types. The Vice President's initials and yours should be in caps, Mary's in lower case: LBJ:HCB:m?s

Walter

PUBLIC ACTIVITIES



May 31, 1961

Dear Mr. Chancellor:

In addition to the album of photographs I sent to you recently, I am forwarding a roll of motion picture film taken at the LBJ Ranch.

With warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency Chancellor Konrad Adenauer Federal Republic of Germany Bonn, Germany

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June 1, 1961

My dear Chancellor:

The enclosed photographs bring back fond memories of a most pleasant occasion, and I am sending them on to you with every good wish and assurance of my highest esteem.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency
Dr. Konrad Adenauer, President
Federal Republic of Germany

LBJ:HVB:bnw

Дансань тами.

July 25, 1961

My dear Mr. Chancellor:

It was a very deep pleasure to have you and your daughter as our guests at the ranch. The autographed picture is one I shall always cherish and I certainly hope the fortunes of our times will bring you by our way again.

I will certainly transmit to the Superintendent of Public Schools in Austin and to Mr. Gideon your warm thanks. Mrs. Johnson joins me in highest expressions of regard and personal esteem to you.

Sincerely yours,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency Chancellor Konrad Adenauer Federal Republic of Germany Bonn, Germany

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TRANSLATION INTO GERMAN

[Vice President Johnson]

Den 25. Juli, 1961 (or "Den 1. August 1961")

Sehr Geehrter Herr Bundeskanzler!

Es war eine aufrichtige Freude Sie und Ihre Fr. Tochter als Gäste auf unserer Ranch zu haben. Ihr, mit Ihrem Namen versehenes Bild werde ich immer in Ehren halten und ich hoffe bestimmt, dass das Schicksal unserer Tage unsere Wege wieder zusammenbringen wird.

Gerne werde ich Ihren warmen Dank an den Superintendenten der öffentlichen Schulen in Austin und an Herrn Gideon übermitteln.

Mrs. Johnson wunscht auch Ihnen den Ausdruck ihrer Hochachtung und ihren persönlichen Grüsse übermitteln.

Hochachtungsvoll,

Lyndon B. Johnson

Seiner Exzellenz

Herrn Bundeskanzler Konrad Adenauer

Bonn, Deutschland

Translated by George Starosolsky August 1, 1961

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Translated by George Starosolsky August 1, 1961

GERMAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON, D. C.

Franz Krapf Chargé d'Affaires ad interim July 7, 1961

Dear Mr. Vice President :

It is with great pleasure that I forward to you herewith three letters from Chancellor Adenauer which recently have been received by this Embassy together with a phonograph record and a framed photograph of the Chancellor.

I would like to use this opportunity to tell you again how much Mrs. Krapf and I enjoyed our stay on your ranch in Texas.

With kindest regards,

yours sincerely,

Franz KraVI

The Vice President of the United States Washington, D.C.

BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND DER BUNDESKANZLER

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Zur Erinnerung an unsere Besprechungen in Washington und in Texas und als Ausdruck meines Dankes für die überaus herzliche Aufnahme auf Ihrer Ranch möchte ich Ihnen hiermit mein Bild und eine Schallplatte "Aus meinem Leben" senden. Ich hoffe, Ihnen außerdem mit einigen Flaschen deutschen Weins eine Freude machen zu können.

Bitte, übermitteln Sie Mrs. Johnson herzliche Grüße.

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Seiner Exzellenz Herrn Lyndon B. Johnson Vizepräsident der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika

Washington

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Sie waren so freundlich, mir Briefe von Schülerinnen und Schülern aus Austin sowie ein weiteres
Fotoalbum und zwei Filmstreifen über meinen Besuch in
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Aufmerksamkeiten, und ich danke Ihnen dafür von
Herzen.

Am meisten haben mich die Briefe der Schülerinnen und Schüler gerührt, und ich bitte Sie, dem Superintendenten der Schulen von Austin meinen aufrichtigen Dank auszusprechen, den er, wenn das möglich ist, auch den Verfassern der Briefe übermitteln möchte.

Die Bilder des Fotoalbums sind ausgezeichnet; bitte sagen Sie Herrn Gideon von der Lower Colorado River Authority, daß ich mich sehr darüber gefreut habe.

Seiner Exzellenz

Herrn Lyndon B. Johnson Vizepräsident der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika

Washington

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P.S. Leider habe ich mir die Filmstreifen noch nicht ansehen können, aber ich hoffe, daß ich dafür einmal eine ruhige Stunde finde; sie werden mir die schönen Tage in Texas noch einmal lebhaft in Erinnerung rufen.

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BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND DER BUNDESKANZLER

Bonn, den 12. Juni 1961

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Von Herzen danke ich Ihnen für das prachtvolle

Von Herzen danke ich Ihnen für das prachtvolle Album über meinen Besuch in Texas. Die Bilder sind ganz ausgezeichnet. Ich habe selten so gute Aufnahmen gesehen.

Mein Aufenthalt in Texas steht so lebendig mir vor Augen wie kaum ein anderer Besuch, den ich irgendwo gemacht habe. Mit grosser Freude denke ich zurück an die so liebenswürdige Gastfreundschaft von Frau Johnson und von Ihnen, an die Offenheit und Natürlichkeit, mit der mir alle Menschen in Texas entgegentraten, und an dieses imponierende und so schöne Land.

Das Album, das wirklich prachtvoll ausgestattet ist - ich betrachte die deutschen Aufschriften als eine besondere Aufmerksamkeit Ihrerseits - werde ich manchmal zur Hand nehmen und mich in diese Tage in Texas im Geiste zurückversetzen.

Seiner Exzellenz

Herrn Lyndon B. Johnson

Vizepräsident der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika

Washington

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EMBASSY OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 28, 1961

Dear Mr. Vice President :

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Mit recht herzlichen Gruessen

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The Vice President
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The Vice President
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Washington, D.C.

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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

August 22, 1961

Mr. Vice President:

Chancellor Adenauer's telegram reads as follows:

To His Excellency the Vice President of the United States of America, Mr. Lyndon B. Johnson Senate Office Building Washington, D. C.

Very Distinguished Mr. Vice President:

Strong heartfelt thanks for your efforts. Your trip was a great success.

Your reply has been cleared by the State Department.

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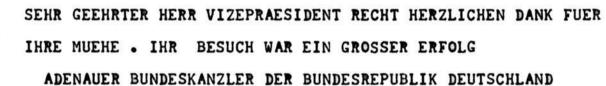
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LYNDON B. JOHNSON SENATE OFFICE

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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON

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Partial text of remarks made by Vice President Johnson following his conference with Chancellor Adenauer in Bonn, Germany, August 19, 1961 I am very pleased to have had this opportunity to renew my acquaintance with Chancellor Adenauer and to engage in an exchange of views with him on the recent developments in the Soviet Sector of Berlin and the longer range crisis which has been created by the renewed Soviet threat against the freedom of West Berlin.

I informed the Chancellor concerning the measures which the United States has already taken and the steps which it plans to take in order to improve our ability to cope with various contingencies which may arise.

The Chancellor, in turn, assured me to the support and the support of the Government of the Federal Republic for the recisions taken by the Western Foreign Ministers at their recent Paris meeting cesigned to increase the strength of the Western Illance in the face of the Sould in the so

As a result of our discussion I am convinced that our two governments are in fundamental agreement on their assessment of the probable course of the present crisis as well as on their conclusions as to the measures which must be taken to meet it.

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STATEMENT BY VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON ON DEPARTURE FOR BONN, GERMANY, AUGUST 18, 1961

For Immediate Release

At the request of the President, I am flying with General Clay to Bonn and Berlin. I am going to Germany to consult with Chancellor Adenauer, Mayor Brandt, and other German leaders and to see for myself the situation in Berlin. I am also bearing a me ssage from the President to Mayor Brandt and the people of Berlin, advising them of the measures which the United States and its Western allies are taking to meet the situation created by the latest Soviet threat against Berlin.

As you know, we have already protested the brutal, cynical, and illegal action taken last week-end by the East German regime with Soviet approval and support. This arbitrary splitting of the city of Berlin is a flagrant violation of solemn international agreements and obligations undertaken by the Soviet Government.

Now I want to see at first hand the effects of this tragic situation as they are translated in human terms -- the separated families, the refugees who have had to abandon home and friends, tearing up their roots in order to start life anew in freedom.

The Soviet and East German rulers discovered in June of 1953, and I am sure they will discover it again in this situation, that the more the urge for freedom is suppressed, the more insistently the demand for it grows.

It is also my purpose to assure the people of West Berlin of our firm determination to use whatever means may be necessary to fulfill our pledge to preserve their freedom and their ties with the free world. On my return here, Itwill, of course, report to the President and to the National Security Council.

I am pleased to see that insofar as our exchanges were concerned, President Kennedy's views of the world situation and Chancellor Adenauer's are in complete agreement. There are absolutely no differences.

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19 August 1961

Arrival Statement by Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson at Wahn Airport

I have come as the personal representative of President Kennedy to express a conviction, to convey a pledge, to sound a warning, and to reiterate a policy.

We are united in America, regardless of party and regardless of region, in our concern and understanding for the German people in their present ordeal. The endangered frontier of freedom now runs through divided but dauntless Berlin. The Communist dictatorship has the power temporarily to seal a border; but no tyranny can survive beyond the shadow of its evil strength.

The American President and the American people are determined to fulfill all our obligations and to honor all our commitments. We are not provocative; neither are we frightened. The American people have no genius for retreat; and we do not intend to retreat now.

Berlin has now become a city of refuge as well as a citadel of freedom and a symbol of peace. Without any spirit of belligerence, but in a spirit of solemn warning, we urge the masters of the Soviet Union and East Germany who have manufactured this crisis to remember in good time that a crime against peace will now be a crime against all humanity; and against that particular crime humanity's retribution will be swift and emphatic.

I will some consult with Chancellor Adenauer and later today will fly to Berlin to meet with Mayor Brandt and other important officials. Before the Members of the Berlin House of Representatives it shall be my privilege and my duty to set forth in some detail the policy of the United States in the present crisis.

And now let us join hands, as friends and partners, as we did in Washington and Texas, in the quest for peace with freedom, and in our steadfast and unshaken unity dare to the end to do our duty.

SPEECH BY VICE PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, BERLIN, GERMANY

AUGUST 19, 1961

I have come to Berlin by direction of President Kennedy.

He wants you to know -- and I want you to know -- that the pledge he has given to the freedom of West Berlin and to the rights of Western access to Berlin is firm. To the survival and to the creative future of this city we Americans have pledged, in effect, what our ancestors pledged in forming the United States: "Our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

I come here at a moment of tension and danger -- in your lives, the lives of my countrymen, and the common life of the Free World.

A barrier of barbed wire has been thrown across your city.

It has broken for you -- and more importan t -- for your brethren to the East -- vital human and communal ties -- ties that reach back into the lives of families and friends and into the long life of this great city.

I understand the pain and outrage you feel.

I understand the anger you feel as the Communist authorities and their hirelings congratulate themselves on having throttled the flow of men, women and children who could stand it no longer and have come

to the West, even at the cost of abandoning their homes the familiar places, and all they had created.

What a victory they claim! What a failure they prove!

I tell you the Communists congratulate themselves too soon.

Stop for a moment and consider what this crisis is about.

This crisis has arisen because of a massive fact of history.

The free men of Germany -- both here and in West Germany -- have succeeded in these years since the end of the war beyond our most optimistic hopes. I am not referring only to their economic success which all the world knows and admires. They succeeded in far more important ways. They have built a vital democratic life. They have accepted with admirable self-discipline restraints on their military establishment. They have played a great constructive role in making a United Europe. They are now coming to play a major role on the world scene -- from India to Bolivia.

Meanwhile, in East Germany there has been a terrible and tragic failure. Despite every instrument of force and propoganda, despite every asset of German skill and German resources, the Communists have not been able to create a life to which men can commit their talents, their faith, and the future of their children.

Make no mistake. This fact of history is well understood in the Kremlin. What they are trying to do now is to interpose barbed wire, bayonets, and tanks against the forces of history.

In the short run, the barbed wire is there; and it will not go away by a wave of the hand. But in the long run this unwise effort will fail. Lift your eyes from these barriers and ask yourselves; who can really believe that history will deny Germany and Berlin their natural unity; who can really believe that the German people will choose Communism after what they have seen on German soil.

This is a time, then, for confidence, for poise, and for faith -- for faith in yourselves.

It is also a time for faith in your Allies, everywhere throughout the world. This island does not stand alone. You are a vital part of the whole community of free men. Your lives are linked not merely to those in Hamburg, Bonn and Frankfurt. They are also linked with those who live in every town of Western Europe, Canada, and the United States, and with those on every continent who live in freedom and are prepared to fight for it.

I repeat; this is a time for confidence, for poise, and for faith -- qualities with which you have associated the name of your city -- from one end of the world to the other -- since 1945.

What President Kennedy said on July 25th to his fellow countrymen I now say to you: "With your help and the help of other free men, this crisis can be surmounted. Freedom can prevail -- and peace can endure."



August 24, 1961

Mr. Boatner

Dorothy Territo

Adenauer Visit

Barbecue luncheon in honor of Chancellor Adenauer at LBJ ranch, given by Chamber of Commerce of Stonewall.

City of Fredericksburg, gave a reception in honor of the Chancellos at the fairgrounds, Fredericksburg.

The Vice President and Mrs. Johnson gave a dinner at the LBJ ranch.

Chancellor addressed a joint session of the Texas legislature.

Luncheon given by Gov. and Mrs. Daniels at the Executive Mansion for Chancellor Adenauer.

Bonn, April 20, 1961

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With the best wishes K. Adenauer

Bonn, April 20, 1960

"Your invitation to visit in due course your home state of Texas, I shall gladly accept and bring to reality on the occasion of my next visit to the United States. I have read myself a great deal about that state



August 26, 1961

My dear Mr. Chancellor:

In addition to the exchange of cables which has already passed between us, I wish to send you this more personal message of thanks and appreciation for your kindness to me during my visit to Bonn as President Kennedy's personal representative and for your conduct during the present difficulties. I regret that it was impossible for me, because of the nature of my trip, to spend more time with you in the discussion of our common problems; but once again, as in the past, I took away from my meeting with you the profound impression of your steadiness and sagacity in a period of crisis.

It was an essential purpose of my mission to clarify American policy to you and our other friends in Germany, and then to learn how the current communist challenge is viewed by our German allies and partners.

In times of adversity and challenge, we learn to place a new and greater importance on strong friends who will be equal to the test imposed by dangerous events; and it is in that spirit that I greet you now, and wish you and the German people an honorable solution of our present problems. Our two countries must never be apart, for on this understanding and cooperation depends in large measure the peace and freedom of the whole world.

Sincerely yours,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency Dr. Konrad Adenauer Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany Bonn, Germany

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August 26, 1961

My dear Mr. Chancellor:

In addition to the exchange of cables which has already passed between us, I wish to send you this more personal message of thanks and appreciation for your kindness to me during my visit to Bonn as President Kennedy's personal representative and for your conduct during the present difficulties. I regret that it was impossible for me, because of the nature of my trip, to spend more time with you in the discussion of our common problems; but once again, as in the past, I took away from my meeting with you the profound impression of your steadiness and sagacity in a period of crisis.

It was an essential purpose of my mission to clarify American policy to you and our other friends in Germany, and then to learn how the current communist challenge is viewed by our German allies and partners.

In times of adversity and challenge, we learn to place a new and greater importance on strong friends who will be equal to the test imposed by dangerous events; and it is in that spirit that I greet you now, and wish you and the German people an honorable solution of our present problems. Our two countries must never be apart, for on this understanding and cooperation depends in large measure the peace and freedom of the whole world.

Sincerely yours,

Lyndon B. Johnson

His Excellency Dr. Konrad Adenauer Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany Bonn, Germany

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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

TRANSLATION:

Dear Friend:

Mr. vonBrentano sent me the photograph which you dedicated to me. I thank you very much for your thoughtfulness.

With warmest regards,

Yours,

Adenauer

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Linder Frank,

Herr von Brentano übergab mir das Foto, das Sie mit einer so freundlichen Widmung versehen haben. Ich danke Ihnen herzlich für Ihre Aufmerksamkeit.

Mit haylighen Greikans

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Adenauer)

Seiner Exzellenz dem Vizepräsidenten der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika Herrn Lyndon B. Johnson Washington, D.C.

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Tafo gnafreter from Vienyrdfiland, linker Trainel!

Für Ihren Brief vom 26. August danke ich Ihnen aufrichtig. Über Ihre freundlichen und anerkennenden Worte habe ich mich sehr gefreut. Mit Ihnen bin ich der Auffassung, daß wir in den vor uns liegenden schweren Monaten enger denn je zusammenstehen müssen. Das deutsche Volk vertraut fest auf seine amerikanischen Freunde.

Ich möchte die Gelegenheit benutzen, um Ihnen die Kopie eines Filmes zu übermitteln, der über meine letzte Amerikareise zusammengestellt wurde. Ich hoffe, daß er Ihnen Freude macht.

Mit faginfin Griffing Falliales

Seiner Exzellenz dem Vizepräsidenten der Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika Herrn Lyndon B. Johnson Washington D.C.

Translation

Federal Republic of Germany
The Federal Chancellor

Bonn, September 10, 1961

Dear Mr. Vice President,
my dear friend:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 26. Your kind and appreciative words have given me much pleasure. I share your view that in the difficult months ahead of us we must stand together more closely than ever before. The German people firmly rely on their American friends.

I should like to use this opportunity to send you a copy of a film made in connection with my last trip to the United States. I hope it will give you pleasure.

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

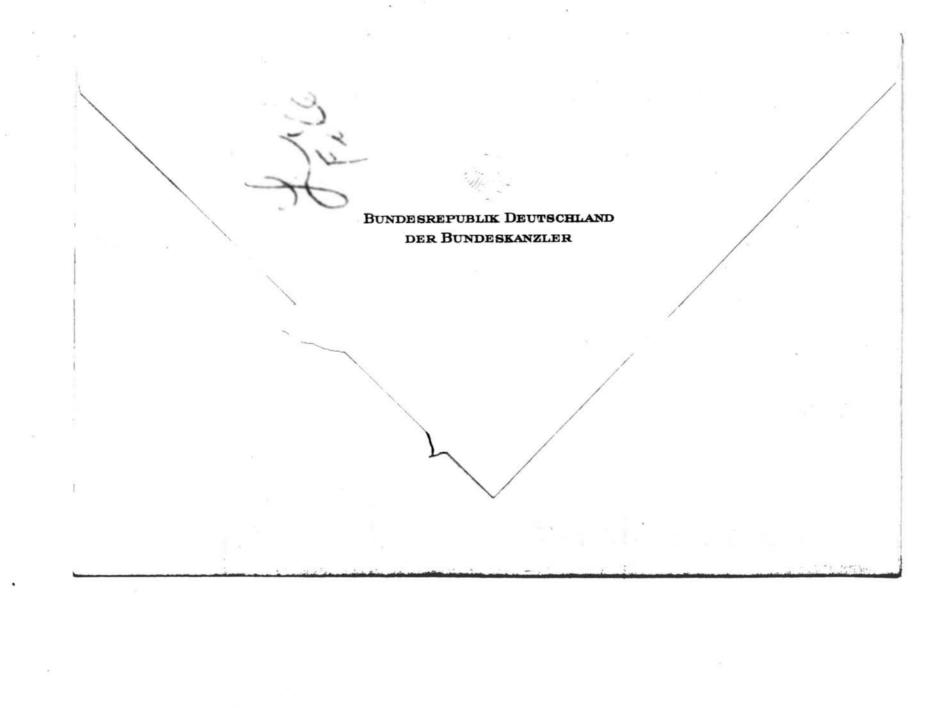
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His Excellency
The Vice President of
the United States
Lyndon B. Johnson
Washington, D.C.

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Washington, D.C. / USA



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When on 19 April, early in the afternoon, the flags were lowered to half-mast, the German people were filled with deep sorrow. All became silent. For some moments time seemed to have stood still — as always when something happens that will affect all of us for days and years to come.

Adenauer's death has had a direct impact on each of us. This is what millions of Germans and millions of our friends abroad felt when the news of his death was flashed around the world.

The presence of many guests from other countries on the day of his funeral shows that we are not alone in our grief and that we have the sympathy of the world. I wish to express to you all my heartfelt thanks for this last token of friendship for Konrad Adenauer.

It is not too early to say today that the former Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany and his work will go down in history. He will thus belong to all of us — to those who were his associates in the struggle between different political opinions as well as to those who often fought him bitterly over decisions.

When Konrad Adenauer was elected first Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany in 1949, he took on an enormous burden. At home the task was to repair the devastations caused by the war, to provide shelter and work for millions of Germans, many of whom were expellees and refugees, and thus give them new hope, to help war victims and their families overcome at least the direst want.

He knew that this task could only be solved by regaining the confidence and help of our neighbours and of the rest of the free world. His foreign policy served this aim, but also that other obligation of our State: to ensure that our people, like all others, is granted the right to self-determination.

Konrad Adenauer has staked out and paved our way back into the community of free nations. It was not out of tactical considerations inspired by the need of the moment that he linked the destiny of our fatherland closely with that of the great democracies that are so rich in tradition. He was aware that we would not be able to regain the self-respect that had been crushed by Nazi tyranny and its aftermath unless it were rooted in the concepts of freedom and the rule of law. For this reason he passionately advocated the establishment of supranational groupings, wishing thereby to consolidate the internal and external cohesion of our statehood, since the most propitious climate for any community to develop and to achieve its national aspirations is created by the feeling of security that comes from membership of a larger community.

Together with those other unforgettable deceased statesmen, Churchill, de Gasperi and Schuman, Konrad Adenauer strove to create the foundations for European unification. The names of these men are dear to all of us, whatever our nationality. Thus, Konrad Adenauer, too, will be remembered as a great European by other nations.

The relationship between Germany and France was to Konrad Adenauer as it is to us the touchstone for the success or failure of efforts to unite the free nations of Europe. It was fortunate that in his endeavours for Franco-German reconciliation, which is wholeheartedly affirmed by both nations, he found in you, President de Gaulle, a like-minded partner and friend. It fell to both statesmen to seal the friendship between our two nations by a treaty which we feel is one of the most significant achievements of post-war history.

The work accomplished by the late Chancellor with a view to strengthening our friendly relations with other countries, in particular with the United States of America, will continue to bear fruit. In his meetings and talks with leading American statesmen and politicians, Konrad Adenauer negotiated the necessary safeguards for the security of our country. For this we owe him, and you, President Johnson, being the representative of that great allied nation which has stood by us in difficult

situations during the post-war period, our sincere gratitude.

Konrad Adenauer is dead. It will be hard for us to realize that we shall no longer hear his voice. We shall miss not only his advice and his unyielding fighting spirit but also his cheerful words of conciliation. In these past few days it has often been said that we are all the poorer for his loss. But the happiness and wealth of nations are not only dependent upon the living but also upon their determination to do their duty and to achieve their aims. The great dead, too, are of everlasting value to a nation. Their example and their deeds will be a stimulus and a constant warning to all of us. Happy the nation that can cherish for ever the memory of men like Konrad Adenauer!

May the peace of the Lord be with him!