WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENTS' DINNER March 25, 1966

You know, of course, the demands upon my

The only possible solution is to establish priorities

and to determine which speaking engagements most

clearly serve the national interest.

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But I know that, interesting as all this is to you,

you came here toright expecting some hard news.

Well, I am prepared to oblige.

Tonight, for the first time, I will make public

a number of communications -- sent to me by

prominent people -- which came to my desk on my return from Southeast Asia and the Pacific.

I hereby request you to testify before the

Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

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what about that White House invitation?

J. William Fulbright

and

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Your hard thinking and straight talk are

squelching the squashy-minded cocktail

circuiters here in Washington.

Joseph Alsop

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Amigo -- you are right. We should have

known more about China.



Fidel Castro

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When I came home last night I found a fox

in my chicken coop. It is wonderful to have

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more animals on the family farm.

Robert Kennedy

- 22 -Your trip to Vietnam was illegal,

unconstitutional and in violation of the



United Nations Charter.

Wayne Morse

How do you get to travel? Who is your tour

director?

Nikita Khrushchev



Have you thought of a compromise candidate?

I hereby offer my services as President of



Nkrumah, The Great Redeemer

What's all this about Humphrey's war? I

thought it was my war?



We disapprove of what you say, and we

defend to the death our right to criticize

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you for it.



Finally, tonight, let me add a serious note:

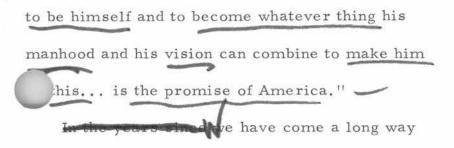
The author Thomas Wolfe, in the 1930's,



"To every man his chance, to every man

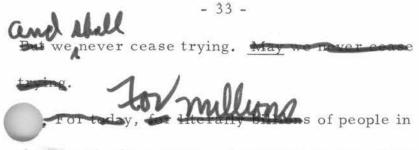
regardless of his birth, his shining golden opportunity

-- to every man the right to live, to work,



toward realizing that promise. We have still not





this world, the promise of America is also their

promise.

- 34 ur flag, as Woodrow Wilson once said, is truly the flag of humanity. ve that the promise of America - will be fulfilled. Thank you. and

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