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NONE HURT, ALL BENEFIT AS NEGROES, SPANISH-SURNAMED AMERICANS GAIN JOBS, TRAINING, HUMPHREY SAYS

Fort Worth, Texas, October 22 -- Provision of jobs, education, and opportunity for black and Spanish-surnamed Americans in an expanding economy does not hurt anyone--instead "all of us benefit", Vice President Humphrey told a rally here today.

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His text is attached.

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REMARKS
VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT H. HUMPHREY
FORT WORTH RALLY
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And I'm deeply proud to have another great Texas Democrat in my corner.

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What about the Peace Corps? Do you still think its a haven for draft dodgers?

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