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PRESS CONFERENCE STATEMENT

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I AM ANNOUNCING TODAY MY INTENTION TO ENTER THE  
MAY 16 MARYLAND PRIMARY WITH A FULL SLATE OF DELEGATES.

I THINK MARYLAND VOTERS, IN PART BECAUSE OF  
THEIR PROXIMITY TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, KNOW MY  
RECORD AND MY QUALIFICATIONS AS WELL AS THE VOTERS OF  
ANY STATE. IN 1968 THEY GAVE ME THEIR VOTE, I WAS  
FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO CARRY THE BALTIMORE AREA WITH A  
RECORD VOTE FOR A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE.

I HAVE TALKED EXTENSIVELY IN THE LAST SEVERAL  
WEEKS WITH LEADERS THROUGHOUT THE STATE -- IN ORGANIZED  
LABOR, IN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, WITH WOMEN'S GROUPS, YOUNG  
PEOPLE, BUSINESSMEN, MINORITY GROUP LEADERS, AND I AM  
ENCOURAGED BY INDICATIONS OF BROAD SUPPORT FOR MY CANDIDACY.

MY DELEGATION WILL BE A BALANCED ONE -- WITH FULL  
REPRESENTATION OF ALL ELEMENTS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

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IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, WE WILL OPEN A STATEWIDE  
HEADQUARTERS IN BALTIMORE. AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER, WE  
WILL BE OPENING HUMPHREY HEADQUARTERS IN OTHER PARTS OF  
THE STATE. I HAVE SEVERAL NAMES UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR  
MARYLAND STATE CHAIRMAN AND WILL BE MAKING THAT  
ANNOUNCEMENT SHORTLY.

I INTEND IN MARYLAND, AS I HAVE ELSEWHERE, TO  
TAKE MY CAMPAIGN DIRECTLY TO THE PEOPLE -- TO THE  
DEMOCRATIC VOTERS.

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I INTEND TO LEVEL WITH THE PEOPLE. I HOPE I  
WILL HAVE THEIR SUPPORT, AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE  
RESULTS IN THIS KEY STATE WILL BE ENCOURAGING ON  
MAY 16TH.

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