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AT THE WHITE HOUSE

WITH PAUL SOUTHWICK

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MR. SOUTHWICK: We have word from Dallas that Mr. Johnson was sworn in as President at 2:38 Central Standard Time by U. S. District Judge Sarah T. Hughes.

Q. What time did you say Paul?

MR. SOUTHWICK: 2:38 Central Standard Time.

Q. In Dallas?

MR. SOUTHWICK: It was aboard the plane which I think took off at 2:47.

Q. Which then took off at 2:37?

MR. SOUTHWICK: 2:47.

Q. When do they arrive?

MR. SOUTHWICK: I don't know the arrival time.

Q. Is that the plane carrying the President body?

MR. SOUTHWICK: I can't say, Sterling; I don't know. I don't know how many planes are involved down there.

Q. Is Johnson coming here to the White House?

MR. SOUTHWICK: I don't have that information. I assume he is coming back here.

Q. He is landing at Andrews?

Q. Where as this?

MR. SOUTHWICK: On board the plane.

Q. This 2:47 is Central Standard Time?

MR. SOUTHWICK: Central Standard Time.

Q. Landing at Andrews?

MR. SOUTHWICK: I don't have the landing time.

Q. Is it Andrews?

MR. SOUTHWICK: Do you mean the plane the Vice President is on? I don't know.

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Q. What type of plane is it?

MISS LARSEN: Air Force One is a Boeing 707.

Q. Is it Air Force One?

MR. SOUTHWICK: He was sworn in aboard Air Force One.

Q. Are you sure that is Central Standard Time because the wires were saying 1:38 -- 2:38 our time.

MR. SOUTHWICK: I got Central Standard Time 2:38. That is the message I have from Dallas.

Q. Will there be a press group--

MR. SOUTHWICK: I want to make one thing clear. There is apparently a little confusion about access to Andrews Air Force Base. It is the plan now that anybody with press credentials either White House or Defense or Capitol Hill will be admitted. When I get a time or when they announce the time, we will let you know, but I don't honestly know the time of arrival.

Q. You don't know whether the body is coming back on the same plane?

MR. SOUTHWICK: I don't know.

Q. Will there be arrangements for any press group to go out there or will we just be on our own?

MR. SOUTHWICK: I would think it would be best on your own at this point.

Q. Does anyone know where Mrs. Shriver went?

MR. SOUTHWICK: I don't know. I was wrong when I said she went to Texas. I am not sure where she went.

Q. But the Shriviers went someplace?

MR. SOUTHWICK: Yes.

Q. Was Teddy with Mrs. Shriver?

MR. SOUTHWICK: It is my information that it was the Senator and Mrs. Shriver.

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