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SENATOR HUBERT HUMPHREY  
POCATELLO, IDAHO  
OCTOBER 29, 1964

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In Washington, they are now building the wooden stands for next January's Presidential Inauguration. President Kennedy accepted the torch of American leadership on this Inaugural Platform. Although President Kennedy's life was cruelly extinguished, the torch he carried burns brightly in the responsible hands of Lyndon B. Johnson.

Next January, the world must not be forced to witness the extinguishing of this torch. We must guarantee that it will continue to burn. And we can only do this by voting for Lyndon B. Johnson.

Let us remember the message of the Scriptures -- without vision, the people perish. Let us hold fast to our vision of America. Let us preserve the vision of John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson.

If we work with diligence in the days ahead, this glorious American vision -- conceived in hope, forged in battle, tested in adversity, shall not soon perish from this earth.

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Sen Frank Church

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Cong. Ralph Harding #2

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*Romney*

Regarding stop at Pocatello, Idaho.

October 28, 1964

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Humphrey

FROM: Bryce E. Nelson

Congressman Ralph Harding ( a second-term Democratic Congressman) is being attacked by his Birchite Republican opponent because he accepted money from the Council for a Livable World. He regards this as the main issue of the campaign against him, and has said that the best thing you can say to help him in Idaho is to say a few good words about the Council.

As you know, the Council is a perfectly reputable, rational arms control organization which has supported outstanding Senators like McGovern, McGee, Moss, Muskie, and various Republicans.

If you do decide to say something about it, you might say: "The Council for a Livable World is a fine patriotic organization composed of top American scientists who support policies of sensible arms control agreements, agreements which involve steps by both sides. This represents the policy followed under both Republican and Democratic Admin-



istration, under both the leadership of the Democrats and of President Eisenhower. The Council has never favored unilateral disarmament.

The directors of the Council have top security clearances; they are men of proven loyalty and dedication to their country. The executive director is a highly respected Republican, ex-~~army~~ colonel who has recently retired with great honor from the Army. (H.A. Crosby)

~~The Council does not ask that those that it gives money to subscribe to its views. I am sure that Ralph Harding would not go along with many things proposed by various Council members, but there is absolutely nothing in the Council's positions which would warrant serious criticism.~~

There is absolutely nothing wrong in accepting the support of an organization which favors bi-lateral, carefully inspected arms control agreements.

What is wrong in America now is the Birchite opposition which arises whenever the word peace is mentioned. Attempts to stop the spiralling arms race, to attempt to tame the atom before it maims us, should be praised, not condemned.

Let us continue to elect men like Ralph Harding to Congress, men who fight against all enemies of the American

system whether they be Birchite or Communist. Let us continue to elect men like Ralph Harding and Lyndon Johnson who know that perseverance in the pursuit of peace is not weakness but strength, and that restraint in the use of force is not foolishness but wisdom. The nuclear age is not time for the loud-mouthed and the trigger-happy."

ADD TO SEN. HUMPHREY SPEECH FOR POCATELLO, IDAHO

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↳ BUT COURAGE ALONE IS NOT ENOUGH. BRAINS, PERSUASIVENESS,  
FORESIGHT AND TEAMWORK ARE NECESSARY, TOO. ALL OF THESE HAVE BEEN  
ABLY DEMONSTRATED BY YOUR CONGRESSMAN, RALPH HARDING, DURING HIS  
FIRST FOUR YEARS IN WASHINGTON. ↳ BY THE WAY, DID YOU KNOW THAT  
RALPH HARDING DISPLAYED THIS SAME FORESIGHT EVEN BEFORE HE WAS  
ELECTED? YES, FOUR YEARS AGO, WHEN RALPH STOOD FOR ELECTION THE  
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LATE IN THE LAST SESSION, RALPH'S DILIGENT WORK HELPED OBTAIN AUTHORIZATION FOR THE LOWER TETON PROJECT NORTH OF HERE. IT IS THE FIRST "NEW START" RECLAMATION PROJECT IN THIS CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT SINCE PALISADES DAM WAS OKAYED IN 1948...OVER 15 YEARS AGO!

HOW DOES RALPH CONTINUE TO GET THINGS DONE IN WASHINGTON? WELL, HIS HARD WORK AND PERS~~UA~~SIVENESS ARE THE REAL REASON, OF COURSE, BUT HANDING OUT IDAHO RUSSETS AND RAINBOW TROUT AT THE RIGHT TIME DOESN'T HURT HIM A BIT, EITHER. I'VE HAD THE HONOR AND PLEASURE TO ENJOY BOTH.

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Remarks of Senator Hubert Humphrey  
Pocatello High School  
Friday, October 30, 1964

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Senator Humphrey. Thank you, thank you very much.

Thank you very much, Congressman Ralph Harding. Thank you for the kind of an introduction that makes me realize more and more why these campaign trips are so important. I just love to hear all those nice things about me, particularly when I hear what the oppositon is saying about me.

I am delighted to come to this beautiful, great state of Idaho, to be here on this platform today with one of the finest members, the most capable, gifted members of the United States Senate. You sent him to us, and you have surely shown good judgment. And I want to salute once again my friend, your Senator, and his very lovely wife, a dear friend of both Muriel and myself -- I want to salute your Senator Frank Church and Bethene. They are wonderful people.

I will have to tell you the truth. I really asked to come here, because you did not really need me, and I knew that, because you have the best orator, one of the finest legislators in the United States right here, in Frank.

And you have one of the finest Congressmen, one of the most articulate, right here in your own Congressman Ralph Harding.

Then, in the other part of the State you have another fine Congressman that I wish that could be with us today, but he is busy, and that is "Comp" White.

So you are well represented.

Let me thank the State Committee and the Citizens Committee for Johnson and Humphrey. I want to thank your County Chairman, Chick Bilyew, for his warm reception here.

I notice through this audience people from the ranches and the farms. I notice that there are people here from the ranks of labor and of business. And I notice also a large number of students. And thank goodness for them.

Just in case any of you think that the Democratic Party does not take this State seriously, I want you to remember that at Boise you had the President of the United States, and he had the biggest gathering I think that ever came together at one time in your great capital city.

At Idaho Falls you had the lovely, charming First Lady of our country, Lady Bird Johnson.

And here I am at Pocatello.

Now, no Republican can match that record.

I'll tell you, friends, that if it wasn't for the fact that my Muriel was over campaigning in the Hawaiian Islands -- what a nice place to campaign, I might add -- she would be here, too.

So you would have had the whole team -- President Johnson, Mrs. Johnson, and the partner of President Johnson and Mrs. Humphrey. We would have all loved, all four of us, to have been here. Three of us have been.

Well, I'm glad I brought you rain. No Republican has done that so far.

I want all these good foresters and farmers to know that we Democrats never forget you. I want to say to my sugar beet friends out here that we are not going to forget you. We are going to help you. And we are going to help you not only with good legislation -- we are going to help you with your prayers and our prayers, and get this rain whenever we need it. Oh, what a combination of a good, effective agricultural policy and rain at the right time.

One of the most famous statements about American politicians is the line that "they never go back to Pocatello". Well, I want to stop that ugly rumor once and for all, because, as I have indicated to you, all good Democrats go back and come back to Pocatello, again and again. We come back to be refreshed by you, and to be refreshed by your allegiance to the Democratic Party and your willingness to support our Democratic candidates.

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Now, Barry Goldwater may not have come to Pocatello. And his side-kick -- his name has escaped me for the moment -- may not have come to Pocatello.

(Shouts of "Miller" from the audience)

Oh, thank you.

But I want you to know that the Democratic Vice-Presidential nominee is honored to come to Pocatello. It is a great privilege.

Lyndon Johnson and this Democratic Administration are fully committed to the developing of the great resources of this beautiful State -- your water resources, your mineral resources, your land resources.

And do you know -- and I am sure you do, because your Senator and your Congressman have undoubtedly told you -- that Senator Goldwater has voted against every piece of legislation ever designed to help the State of Idaho. Yes, he has yet to produce one vote that would have been of help to any part of the West, save, of course, Arizona. I want to give him credit for that.

I think it is pretty clear that we cannot afford that kind of provincialism in the 20th century world.

President Johnson and I have consistently supported these worthwhile reclamation and power projects, these multiple-purpose projects, for Idaho and for all the states. We know and you know the well-being of Idaho is for the well-being of every American, and that the well-being of every American is for the well-being of Idaho.

We know that we are one nation and one people, and we have to work together, plan together.

But apparently the temporary spokesman of the Republican Party, Mr. Goldwater -- apparently --

(Shouts of "We want Barry" from the audience)

"Strawberry" or "Raspbary"?

Apparently some of our fellow citizens don't know the "barry" picking season is over by November.

Now that we have disposed of the static, let's proceed.

Senator Goldwater has apparently not learned that we have one great country, not several; that he has never learned that it is wrong to set state against state, race against race, region against region.

America has too many things to do, too many opportunities, too many challenges, too many challenges to meet to risk having a President who has never learned that the United States is larger than the State of Arizona or any single state.

This is one nation, indivisible, under God, with liberty and justice for all. And a President ought to know that.

I have said from many a platform in this country that this election is different than most partisan elections, and I say that once again here in the beautiful community of Pocatello -- because the Senator from Arizona advocates policies and ideas that are not typically Republican nor authentically conservative. He advocates reactionary ideas, wholly outside the best traditions of the great Republican Party. And therefore it is not surprising to see that many leading Republicans and Republican publications are supporting, not Mr. Goldwater, but supporting President Johnson this year.

I noticed, for example, in looking through some material for this speech that one of your State Republican Senators -- that is, a State Senator -- Mr. Perry

Swisher, had something to say about Senator Goldwater last July that seems to be very correct in the month of October. Here is what he said.

"When told most Republicans are for him, I deny that. When told we know where he stands, I can prove that we no longer know."

I want to say to State Senator Swisher that never has it been said more concisely and more succinctly what is wrong with the Republican candidate.

Now, many leading Republican businessmen, ordinarily Republican, have, as you know, come over to President Johnson. I could mention many of them, but I think typical and symbolic of this group on the national level is Henry Ford. He is not accustomed to being a Democrat. And I don't think he is a Democrat this year. But he is voting for President Johnson.

But let's take a look at your own State. I hear that the President of the Boise Cascade Corporation, Mr. Robert Hansburger, has declared that he will vote for President Johnson this November.

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And it is interesting to note that this fine man -- he is a man surely of good character and of dedicated patriotism, Governor Romney, Republican Governor of Michigan, that this man refuses to endorse Senator Goldwater. In fact, he has even had a hard time introducing him.

So I think that it might be well to note that the Republican candidate -- that is, the man who is temporarily the Republican leader, has very little Republican support.

Unfortunately, the responsible Republicans sat on their hands too long before the convention in San Francisco. The Republican Party, once the noble party of Lincoln, has been taken over by the Goldwater radicals. No wonder so many Republicans will vote for President Lyndon Johnson -- because the American People do not like radicals. And radicalism must not only be repudiated on the national ticket -- radicalism of the left or of the right -- it must also be repudiated in state and local elections.

Therefore, may I say that right here in your own State you have that challenge before you, because there is a Goldwaterite type of radical that seeks to attack day in and day out your wonderful Congressman, Ralph Harding, who is with us here on this platform.

Ralph Harding is highly respected in the councils of the Congress. He is a devout and a hard-working Congressman, who is a vigorous fighter against all enemies of the American system, whether those enemies are of the Communist variety or of the Birchite variety.

May I take just a moment or two more to say a word about our friend Ralph Harding, because this man is known for courage. He is known for great courage. But I think he would agree with me that courage alone is not enough. It takes brains and persuasiveness and foresight and teamwork. All of these are necessary. And all of these have been ably demonstrated by Congressman Ralph Harding during his first four years in the Nation's Capital.

I wonder if you know how Ralph Harding displayed that same foresight even before he was elected.

Four years ago, when Ralph stood for election the first time, he said he would seek a seat on the all-important, vital Committee on Agriculture of the House if he were elected and sent to Washington by the voters of his district.

Well, he got busy and he got the help of the late and beloved Speaker of the House of Representatives, Sam Rayburn. And today he is the only Congressman -- and let me underscore that -- the only Congressman from the Intermountain West that

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that holds a seat on the Committee on Agriculture.

Now, I think you know as well as I do how important agriculture is to this area. And you better not give up that representative with the seat on the Committee on Agriculture, because it will be a long day before you get another one. You have a good man on that Committee. You have a good Congressman. And for goodness sakes, don't trade off a good man for something that you know will not produce for you like Ralph Harding does.

Besides that, Ralph works with your Senator, Frank Church. Besides that, Ralph will work with Lyndon Johnson, the next President of the United States -- and make no mistake about that.

I even understand that Ralph Harding is being attacked out here because he is for peace. I never thought I would see that day.

But let me say that Ralph Harding is a man of principle, and he is a man of courage. And people today that are worthy of public responsibility, Congressmen and Senators that are worthy of the trust of the people, must be people and Congressmen who will work ceaselessly for national security and for peace -- because the task of statesmanship today is not to make war; the task of statesmanship is to make peace. And I am proud of the fact that Ralph Harding is a man who understands the importance of our national security on the one hand, the importance of our strength, but also understands the importance of the spiritual imperatives of seeking a just and honorable peace -- that is the kind of a man that you need in Washington, D. C.

Now, let me just say that you another one like that -- he is not here with us, as I said -- in the First District. And don't you let down "Comp" White. "Comp" White, Ralph Harding -- these two men working with Senator Frank Church represent this state with brilliance, with integrity, with courage, with ability. I don't know a better congressional team from any state, man for man, than the Democrats have from the State of Idaho.

Now, if you friends -- agriculture, labor and business -- if you want a Congressman and if you want an administration that is going to attack REA -- Mr. Goldwater says he would like to dissolve it. He is not going to have a chance, I might add, but he says he would like to. Mr. Goldwater has yet to ever vote for a single farm program. And if you want to send Goldwaterites to Congress, then expect the consequences, and the consequences will be economic disaster, not only for Idaho, but for the United States of America.

That is why businessmen and farmers and workers are today rejecting and repudiating Mr. Goldwater and all of those who stand with him in this election.

Four years ago our late, beloved President John Kennedy spoke in this auditorium, right here in this great auditorium. And John Kennedy on that occasion defined what he considered to be one of the main issues in the campaign of that year. And that issue is still with us. Bear with me while I read a paragraph of that splendid speech.

John Kennedy said, "The great issue which the United States faces in this campaign is our relationship with the Sino-Soviet bloc, how we can live in the same world with them, possessing, as we both do, a hydrogen capacity which could destroy mankind as well as our society".

Well, ladies and gentlemen, that issue of living with the Communist bloc becomes ever more significant when we remember the events of the last couple of weeks -- the Kremlin leadership changed, Khrushchev being dumped, and the Chinese explosion of a nuclear device.

These events, mothers and fathers, these events, my young friends, remind us once again of the perilous times in which we live, and they remind us once again of the need of a President in the White House who knows that all we are and that all we seek is utterly dependent upon the prevention of nuclear war. This is the priority issue of this campaign.

Yes -- I repeat. Everything else fades into insignificance.

There is no prosperity, there are no farms, there is no REA, there is no

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sugar beet industry, there is nothing if we lose the peace, if we indulge ourselves in the madness of a nuclear holocaust.

So this is the supreme issue of the campaign. And it is the supreme issue of our generation. And it is the pre-condition for future generations. Because without peace there can be no freedom, and without peace the survival of this nation, and, indeed, the survival of this planet, is in doubt.

Therefore, we must judge these candidates for the Presidency primarily upon their ability and their capacity to maintain the peace.

Now, how does Senator Goldwater tell us that he would manage our foreign policy and keep the peace? Your own Senator Frank Church, expert in foreign relations, respected for his knowledge, has continually warned us of the futility of Senator Goldwater's foreign policy and the dangers that are in that policy. But Mr. Goldwater, in his book, the "Conscience of a Conservative", says that we should --- and I now quote him --- and by the way, he says that he wants to be judged on his votes, he wants to be judged on his words --- I quote him directly. He says, "Be prepared to undertake military operations against vulnerable Communist regimes". He tells us that the goal would be, and I quote him exactly, "to invite the Communist leaders to choose between total destruction of the Soviet Union and accepting local defeat".

Ladies and gentlemen, if that is to be the policy of the next President of the United States, then the peace is gone and the world must prepare itself for the worst of all possibilities --- a thermonuclear war.

In his frantic impatience with the world as it is, and in Senator Goldwater's hot pursuit of the so-called mirage of total victory, he wishes to back the Soviet Union into a corner, as he says, where the only alternatives would be surrender or nuclear war.

Senator Goldwater does not seem to realize that insisting upon such juvenile nuclear chicken games will eventually result in the horrendous death of both players -- the Soviets and ourselves.

This isn't leadership, my friends. This is radicalism of the worst kind.

Senator Goldwater does not seem to realize that in the age of quick and total nuclear destruction --- and my fellow Americans, as you have been told repeatedly, within one hour, yes, within thirty minutes, over 100 million of our fellow Americans could be dead in a nuclear exchange, and possibly that many or more of the Soviets.

The task of statesmanship is not to see how you can manage affairs so that you get yourself into a position where war is inevitable. The task of statesmanship is to manage our foreign policy and to develop our national security so that war shall be no more and that the peace may be maintained.

There is no such thing as quick and total victory, instant solutions to complex problems. And it is only those who know little or nothing about the facts of the world in which we live that talk such nonsense. And it is dangerous nonsense. And it must be repudiated by the sovereign power of the American voter on November 3.

But I can well understand why Mr. Goldwater talks as he does, because he talks and votes the same way. For this he maybe should be respected, if it were not such unbelievably dangerous policy.

John Kennedy told us, as every peace-maker has, layman or spiritual leader, that the pursuit of peace requires courage and patience and perseverance; that peace, like a mighty cathedral, a beautiful cathedral, is built patiently, lovingly, block by block and stone by stone, generation after generation.

Peace is not available by the wishing for it, nor is peace available by ultimatum. Peace is more than the absence of war, too. Peace is the harmony of life. Peace means releasing the energies of mankind for constructive purposes. And we have developed in America this massive power that is ours in this great wealth, not for the purposes of aggression, and not for the purposes of luxury. We have developed it for the purpose of deterring aggression, we have developed it for the purpose of gaining time, so that we can build a world of peace, so that we can reason together, so that we might find answers to the problems which seem to tear this world apart.

And that is the only way to have a President who will do what we need is the best ---

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And how fortunate we are to have a President now, as we have had in the past -- and this is not Party -- we have had Presidents, Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and now Johnson -- all of whom had one objective, a better world, a peaceful world, a world in which peace could bring freedom and social justice. And these are the highest aspirations and the noblest aspirations of a free people.

So I am proud to stand on this platform today and call to your attention once again the remarkable record of public service of the President of the United States, a President that understands that his duty is to protect this nation for our children and for generations yet unborn.

Lyndon Johnson is not a weak man. He is a man of firmness. But he also understands that he must be a man of responsibility

The one thing America cannot afford as a leader of the world is an irresponsible government, an irresponsible, impetuous President.

Lyndon Johnson is a man not only of responsibility, but of performance, of prudence, and, thank God, of compassion. And he is a fit and tested leader for the dangerous era in which we live. He is a leader that believes in the United Nations and believes that it can be strengthened and should be. He is a leader that believes in the Peace Corps and does not reject it, as does the Senator from Arizona.

He believes, our President does, in the use of our food for peace and for economic development and for feeding the hungry, and for clothing the naked. He believes in the nuclear test ban treaty, the first step towards limiting the arms race. He believes that it is possible to develop better relationships with people throughout the world.

We need a President today, my fellow Americans, that has faith in peace, faith in people, faith in negotiations, faith in reason, and faith in humanity. And we have one -- Lyndon Johnson.

(Shouts of "Barry Goldwater" from the audience)

Next January -- don't worry, folks, in every good program there is a little static. You know, my friends, if we could hire them, we could not do better to gain votes.

So next January, my fellow Americans, the world must not be forced to witness the extinction of the torch of freedom and hope which was handed on that cruel day in Dallas in November 1963, from John Kennedy to Lyndon Johnson. John Kennedy carried that torch of hope, and that torch of peace, and that torch of freedom and compassion, for not only the American people, but for people everywhere. And when he was cruelly struck down, that torch did not fall to the ground -- it fell into the strong and faithful hands of a man who had been elected Vice-President and who, under the cruel conditions of assassination, became the President of the United States under our constitutional system.

I am proud of the fact that people all over the world know that President Lyndon Johnson is worthy of the trust that has been placed in his hands, worthy of the mantle of leadership that is his now as President of the United States.

And so I ask you and I urge upon you that we guarantee by our votes in this November that this torch of peace and of hope and of freedom will continue to burn, and I say to you that the one sure way that we can make that promise and that pledge come true is by casting our vote for the man today who is worthy of it, who has earned it by performance and by deed, and that is none other than President Lyndon Johnson.

Let us remember the message of the Scriptures -- "Without vision, the people perish". And America must hold fast to its vision. And we must hold fast to the vision of a better life for our people, better opportunities for our young, compassion and care for our afflicted, dignity and care for our elderly, and constant economic and social progress for this great Republic.

And then, too, let us hold true to the vision that it is possible for rational human beings, prayerfully, thoughtfully and sacrificially, to build a



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better world. If we ever lose that dream and that vision, than all is lost, because America must never become a nation of cynics, it must always be a nation of idealists. It must always be a nation inspired, and never one that indulges itself in conspiring. And one of the reasons that I have been on this stump, campaigning day and night, is because I see in America today, regrettably, forces of bitterness and of disunion and of diversity, and forces of doubt and suspicion, and forces of hate that are at work, forces that cast evil reflection upon honorable men.

Let me say in the State of Idaho that any organization that can call Dwight Eisenhower, former President, great General -- that can call him the conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy -- is an organization that never should have the respect of a single self-respecting, decent American. And I refer to the John Birch Society.

Let the record be clear that President Lyndon Johnson and Hubert Humphrey repudiate the support of the Birchites, of the Gerald L. K. Smiths, of the Ku Kluxers, of the Commies, and all the other fanatical radicals of this country.

All we ask for is the support of the God-fearing, decent American people who believe that this country is one country with liberty and justice for all.

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