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TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND SENATOR DODD (t)

LBJ Tom?
TD Yes..
LBJ Lyndon Johnson... thank you for your nice letter...how are you getting along
TD Hello Mr. President..Fine couldn't be better.
LBJ I'm going to announce in a few minutes that we're naming a Presidential Commission headed by the Chief Justice and Dick Russell and Cooper and Bog and Ford..Allen Dulles and McCloy..to study this assassination thing and review the Hoover report and make available everything in it they can to the public. It will be ready over the weekend and I wanted..I talked to Jim Eastland about it..talked to Dick Russell about it and have talked to all the individuals concerned..and asked them to evaluate all their available information concerning the subject inquiry and I talked to Hoover and he agrees to it and I just thought I ought to call you because you..you..
TD Thank you Mr. President that you even think of me...
LBJ Well, you're my man on that Committee..you know I put you on it cause... I couldn't get you on Appropriations...I put you on there and damried if you haven't done more there ...
TD I'm a Johnson man...you know that..
LBJ Well, you know, I'm kind of anti-Dodd..you found that out in Connecticut
TD You know I thought so much of that day at Hartford..
LBJ Well we sure...is that sweet wife of yours around?
TD Now, ? No, I'm all alone up here..
LBJ You are..well give her my love...
TD I will Mr. President..
LBJ Well, I just wanted you to know it before I went...I'm just going to name it and I just wanted you to know what was happening.
TD I'll do anything you want... Mr. President I'm for you...with my every respect..
LBJ Thank you my friend. Bye
TD Bye