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TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND SENATOR PASTORE
(to Senator Pastore)

LBJ Johnnie?

JP: Mr. President.

LBJ How are you doing my friend?

JP: Fine...and how are you?

LBJ I'm just doing fine.

JP I listened to you last night and you were magnificent. Magnificent.

LBJ Well thank you Johnnie..doing my best..doing my best. What I called you about.. was to tell you that my Texas friends are in today...come up here to get my will and two or three little old things and he said that the best program he ever saw was you on some panel there and he said that he thought he met you when you came down there in that rain that day...Judge Mofrsund ...and he said that it was just the best he ever saw...and I hadn't known about it and I just told them to get aboid of you and tell you how much I loved you..and how much I appreciate it.

JP It is so wonderful of you, busy as you are. Very typical of you. Well, Lyndon, I did say one thing, and I repeat it to you..excuse me for saying Lyndon...I've got to get used to it...laughter... Mr. President....

LBJ Well you've been saying it a long time..

JP One of the legacies that John Kennedy left with the American people was when he chose Lyndon Johnson

LBJ Well, thank you, Johnnie. I'm not worthy of it ...
Give your sweet wife and your lovely children my love.

JP I certainly will and they will appreciate it very very much.

LBJ Hope you ^{had} a happy Thanksgiving and I'll look forward to seeing them the first time they're down here...bring them in..I want to see them again.

JP All right. Thank you very very much.

LBJ Johnnie...I'm giving this award to Oppenheimer that the President planned

LBJ
Contd for him...I thought I ought to carry it on through..just like he planned it.

JP Yes...well now I may not be there...that's all right...

LBJ Yes, that's all right...I understand.

JP I have a speaking engagement...

LBJ I understand that but I just wanted you to know that the President planned it and I'm going to see whatever he did, through..cause you're kind of my leader and I wanted you to know what I'm doing.

JP I won't say anything until...

LBJ I know that. You needn't worry...I know that. Bye

JP Bye

PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S NOTES ON CONVERSATION WITH
SENATOR PASTORE NOVEMBER 29, 1963 2:16 p.m.

President Johnson told Senator Pastore that Judge Moursund had told him about a television program that he had seen Senator Pastore on and that it was the best program Judge Moursund had ever seen in his life.

Senator Pastore: "...Well, I did say one thing, and I repeat it to you..One of the legacies that John Kennedy left with the American people was when he chose Lyndon Johnson. "

President Johnson thanked him and then told him that he was giving the award to Cppenheimer because President Kennedy had planned it and "I'm going to see whatever he did through..."