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In Reply to Statement of Chairman J. Howard McGrath of the National Democratic Committee.

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STATEMENT OF J. STROM THOMSON, GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
IN REPLY TO STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN J. HOWARD MCGRATH OF THE
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Apparently Chairman McGrath had not read the resolution adopted by
the Southern Governors' Conference when he issued his statement. When he does
I am sure he will realize that we are following democratic procedure in our
determination to unhorse the leadership which has betrayed the Democratic
Party.

We are standing on the principles of the Democratic Party and we
are standing on our rights of state sovereignty and local self government as
guaranteed us under the Constitution.

If Mr. McGrath doubts that let him read the report and resolution
adopted by the Southern Governors on the so called civil rights program.