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CONFERENCE TELEPHONE CALL AT 3:15 P.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5,  
GIVING STATEMENT ON PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S CIVIL RIGHTS PROPOSALS.

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The President's messages on so-called civil rights/never seem to coincide/with his off-the-cuff Press Conference remarks. His message today/contains integration bribes/and methods for forcing integration/and unwanted employment relationships.

The President's proposals will/serve to further divide our people/at a time when national unity/is imperative and vital. I shall vigorously oppose this, and any other punitive-type legislation/directed at the people of the South/or any other section of the country.