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12:27 p.m.

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND JAMES FARLEY  
(from Mr. Farley)

JF: Hello?

LBJ Yes, Jim..

JF I merely wanted to congratulate you wholeheartedly on what you've done and the way you've been handling things. The only reason I'm bothering you at this time is that I'm leaving for South America on Sunday on a trip that was delayed a week and I wouldn't be back until the 18th.. but I wanted to wish you well and if in the days ahead I can be of service, call me.

LBJ Thank you so much. I appreciate it more than you know.

JF I called the State Department over there...to find out what I should say and do if questioned in Brazil, in Argentina and Chile and in Peru. And in all of those cases I'll try to handle in a way that will be helpful all along the lines and if it is all right with you, I'll continue to urge that they give all consideration...to the progress...the Alliance for Progress..

LBJ That is all right..and just tell them they've got...

JF What else would you want me to say...

LBJ Just tell them that the Latin Americans have the best friend in the White House that they've ever had..one that was raised with them..that knows them and loves them and that we're going to...they're going to have a very pleasant experience in our dealings and then come in and see me when you get back.

JF All right. There's just one more thing I want to say to you. I thought the manner in which you made your address is, Lyndon...I shouldn't say Lyndon.. I say this most wholeheartedly..and that is the opinion of all who saw you and heard you and goodluck and God bless you.

LBJ Thank you. Come in and see me when you get back.

JF Sure will. Thank you. Bye

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PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S NOTES ON CONVERSATION WITH  
MR. JAMES FARLEY NOVEMBER 29, 1963

Mr. Farley: "I merely wanted to congratulate you wholeheartedly on what you've done and the way you've been handling things... I wanted to wish you well and if in the days ahead I can be of service. call me."

Mr. Farley then told the President that he was leaving on a trip to South America and asked what the President would like for him to say.

The President: "Just tell them that the Latin Americans have the best friend in the White House that they've ever had..one that was raised with them..that knows them and loves them and that...they're going to have a very pleasant experience in our dealings..."