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424P EDT

HIS EXCELLENCY GEORGE C WALLACE, REPORT DELIVERY

GOVERNOR OF ALABAMA MONTGOMERY ALA

I AM GRATIFIED BY THE DEDICATION TO LAW AND ORDER EXPRESSED IN YOUR TELEGRAM INFORMING ME OF YOUR USE OF NATIONAL GUARDSMEN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA. THE ONLY ANNOUNCED THREAT TO ORDERLY COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW, HOWEVER, IS YOUR PLAN TO BAR PHYSICALLY THE ADMISSION OF NEGRO STUDENTS IN DEFIANCE OF THE ORDER OF THE ALABAMA FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT AND IN VIOLATION OF ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF PUBLIC CONDUCT. STATE, CITY AND UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS HAVE REPORTED THAT, IF YOU WERE TO STAY AWAY FROM THE CAMPUS, THUS FULFILLING YOUR LEGAL DUTY, THERE IS LITTLE DANGER OF ANY DISORDER BEING INCITED WHICH THE LOCAL TOWN AND CAMPUS AUTHORITIES COULD NOT ADEQUATELY HANDLE. THIS WOULD

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MAKE UNNECESSARY THE OUTSIDE INTERVENTION OF ANY TROOPS, EITHER STATE OR FEDERAL. I THEREFORE URGENTLY ASK YOU TO CONSIDER THE CONSEQUENCES TO YOUR STATE AND ITS FINE UNIVERSITY IF YOU PERSIST IN SETTING AN EXAMPLE OF DEFIANT CONDUCT, AND URGE YOU INSTEAD TO LEAVE THESE MATTERS IN THE COURTS OF LAW WHERE THEY BELONG

JOHN F KENNEDY.

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June 12, 1963

The Honorable John F. Kennedy  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

At all times since the Federal District Court ordered the admission of Negro students to the University of Alabama, State Law enforcement officers under my control have maintained absolute peace and order at the University Campus. At 3:33 p. m. (CST) June 11, 1963, through the use of Federal Troops you assumed full responsibility for the presence of Negro students and for preserving peace and order on the

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campus of the University of Alabama.

In order that there might be complete co-ordination as you assume this responsibility, I am furnishing you and your local military commander with the following schedule of phased withdrawal of State Law Enforcement Personnel.

June 12th

Effective 3:00 a. m. (CST)

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300 Special Law Enforcement Officers.

2:00 P. M. (CST)  
228 State Troopers

June 16th  
2:00 P. M. (CST)  
162 State Troopers

Respectfully,  
GEORGE C. WALLACE  
Governor, State of Alabama

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Please send copies of the above to the following:

Brigadier General Henry D. Graham  
United States Army Reserve Armory  
10th Avenue  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Dr. Frank Rose, President  
University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Major General Abrams  
United States Army Reserve Armory

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Dr. Frank A. Rose, President  
University of Alabama  
University, Alabama

At 3:33 p.m. yesterday, June 11, 1963, President Kennedy with the use of armed Federal troops assumed control of the campus of the University of Alabama which includes the campus at Huntsville. Due to this illegal and unwarranted military occupation, I will not be present on the Huntsville campus tomorrow. However, we will continue relentlessly our fight against forced integration of the University of Alabama.

GEORGE C. WALLACE  
Governor of Alabama

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HON GEORGE C WALLACE, GOVERNOR

STATE OF ALABAMA STATE CAPITOL MONTGOMERY ALA  
ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON JUNE 12 - 1963 THE MILITARY COMMANDER  
OF THE FEDERAL MILITARY FORCES NOW OCCUPYING THE CAMPUS OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA. ORDERED THAT THE PRESENCE OF STATE  
TROOPERS WOULD NO LONGER BE REQUIRED  
IN TUSCALOOSA AFTER 7 AM JUNE 13 - 1963.

AT SEVEN AM JUNE 13 - 1963 FEDERAL MILITARY FORCES REMOVED  
ALL ROAD BLOCKS ESTABLISHED BY STATE TROOPERS AND ORDERED THAT  
STATE TROOPERS WERE NO LONGER NEEDED ON THE CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY  
OF ALABAMA.

I HAVE REMOVED THE STATE TROOPERS TO THE ALA HIGHWAY  
PARTOL POST IN TUSCALOOSA.

IN SPITE OF THE INSTRUCTION GIVEN ME BY THE MILITARY

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COMMANDER OF FEDERAL FORCES I INTEND TO FOLLOW YOUR INSTRUCTIONS  
AND KEEP THE PRESENT COMPLEMENT OF STATE TROOPERS IN THE TUSCALOOSA  
ALABAMA AREA UNTIL YOU DIRECT ME OTHERWISE

COLONEL ALBERT J LINGO DIRECTOR ALABAMA DEPT PUBLIC SAFETY  
(49).

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The Honorable John F. Kennedy  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

My Director of the Department of Public Safety  
of the State of Alabama has informed me by telegram  
of this date that your Military Commander in Tusca-  
loosa, Alabama ordered the removal of all State  
Troopers from the Campus as of 7:00 a. m. June 13,  
1963, stating that the presence of State Troopers  
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is no longer required. In spite of this fact and the fact that military troops have assumed full responsibility and control of the University of Alabama Campus, I have instructed my Public Safety Director to keep State Troopers in the Tuscaloosa, Alabama area. It is extremely unfortunate that you, the Justice Department Officials and your Military Commanders do not have a better understanding of the situation which you have created at the University of Alabama. You must be aware of the fact when federal military forces occupied the campus that

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civil control was rendered ineffective. I am deeply concerned for the safety and welfare of all the students and personnel of the University of Alabama which has been jeopardized by the unwarranted and illegal actions of the Federal Government. The Federal Government usurped my powers as Chief Executive of this State and Chief Law Enforcement Officer and I hope you will realize the great responsibility which now rests on your shoulder for the safety and well-being of all persons on the campus of the University of Alabama which your troops now occupy.

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**GEORGE C. WALLACE**  
Governor, State of Alabama

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DC 14 730P EDT

HONORABLE GEORGE C WALLACE, REPORT DELIVERY

GOVERNOR OF ALABAMA MONTGOMERY ALA

IN REPLY TO YOUR TELEGRAM OF JUNE 13, I WISH TO ADVISE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN MISINFORMED. I HAVE CHECKED INTO YOUR ASSERTION THAT THE MILITARY COMMANDER IN TUSCALOOSA ORDERED THE REMOVAL OF ALL STATE TROOPERS FROM THE CAMPUS AS OF 7:00 A.M., JUNE 13, AND FOUND IT TO BE INACCURATE.

ON THE CONTRARY, SOME CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED BY THE MILITARY AND BY UNIVERSITY AUTHORITIES BECAUSE STATE PAROL PARTICIPATION IN SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA APPEARED TO HAVE SLACKENED NOTICEABLY ON JUNE 12. I AM ADVISED THAT AFTER CONFERENCES, HOWEVER, A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF ALABAMA STATE TROOPERS REMAINED ON DUTY IN THE TUSCALOOSA AREA AND,

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ALONG WITH THE MILITARY, ARE ASSISTING THE TUSCALOOSA POLICE  
IN MEETING THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES.

CONSISTENT WITH THE TEXT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11111,  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER ON THE  
CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA CONTINUES TO REST WITH  
LOCAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES

JOHN F KENNEDY

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HONORABLE GEORGE C WALLACE, GOVERNOR OF ALA

MONTGOMERY ALA

DA341091 FROM CYRUS R. VANCE, SECRETARY OF THE ARMY.

I HAVE DIRECTED THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY TO EFFECT THE RETURN OF UNITS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA TO YOUR CONTROL ON AN INCREMENTAL BASIS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE CONSISTENT WITH THE SITUATION IN ALABAMA.

THE MAJOR INCREMENT OF UNITS AND MEMBERS WILL RETURN TO YOUR CONTROL EFFECTIVE 2400 HOURS 16 JUNE 1963

SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

(54).

I respectfully request your assistance in effecting the  
voluntary transfer of the negro students now enrolled  
at the U. of A. to alleviate a situation that has  
been aggravated by your recent speech.

No intention to affect the decision of the first court  
ordering the admission, negro students to the U. of A.  
Their admission under the court's order. The sum of \$500  
transfer for ~~expenses~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~admission~~ ~~has~~ ~~been~~ ~~agreed~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~

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EDT

HONORABLE GEORGE C WALLACE, REPORT DELIVERY  
GOVERNOR OF ALABAMA MONTGOMERY ALA

THE ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARD WAS FEDERALIZED AND ELEMENTS OF IT WERE SENT TO TUSCALOOSA TO PREVENT INTERFERENCE WITH ORDERS OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA. CONSISTENT WITH THE TEXT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11111, RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER ON THE CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA CONTINUES TO REST WITH LOCAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES.

REGRETFULLY, IT WAS NECESSARY TO SEND TROOPS TO TUSCALOOSA TO ENFORCE THE COURTS ORDERS. MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER, HOWEVER, REMAINS YOUR LEGAL AND MORAL RESPONSIBILITY. I KNOW YOU WERE OPPOSED TO THE ADMISSION OF THE NEGRO STUDENTS, BUT

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THAT IS NOW PASSED. THEY ARE ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY, AND I WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW THE TROOPS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I AM ADVISED THAT TUSCALOOSA HAS A SMALL BUT EXCELLENT POLICE FORCE WHICH, IF BACKED BY STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, CAN MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER IN THE TUSCALOOSA AREA. IT WILL BE UNFORTUNATE IF MEMBERS OF THE ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARD NOW IN FEDERAL SERVICE ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN AWAY FROM THEIR HOMES AND JOBS FOR ANY EXTENDED PERIOD THIS SUMMER. THE DURATION OF THEIR DUTY IS LARGELY UP TO YOU. MY RESPONSIBILITIES WILL REQUIRE ME TO CONTINUE THE PRESENT ACTIVE STATUS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD UNTIL I AM ADVISED BY YOU OR BY LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS THAT ITS PRESENCE IS NOT REQUIRED.

I HAVE ALWAYS FELT THAT THESE MATTERS SHOULD BE HANDLED BY STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES. I WOULD THINK THAT THE PEOPLE

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OF ALABAMA WOULD RATHER HAVE THESE RESPONSIBILITIES MET BY PAID, EXPERIENCED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS THAN BY FEDERALIZED MEN OF THE ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARD. IT IS BETTER FOR THE PEOPLE OF ALABAMA AND BETTER FOR THE NATIONAL GUARDSMEN CALLED TO DUTY.

THEREFORE, I HOPE YOU WILL COOPERATE BY DOING ALL YOU CAN TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS LEADING TO THE DEFEDERALIZATION OF THE NATIONAL GUARD

JOHN F KENNEDY

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Honorable John F. Kennedy  
President of the United States  
White House  
Washington, D. C.

I can and will guarantee that there will be no sustained violence in the State of Alabama, but with our limited resources, physical and financial, Alabama cannot insure absolutely the personal safety of individual students. Surely you realize that a continuous cause of the tension in Alabama is the presence of the three Negro students on the campuses of the  
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University, and I suggest that you immediately secure their withdrawal.

Your public statement that unless the demands of Negro agitators are met, Negroes will return to the streets, is an open invitation to violence and has worsened an already dangerous situation throughout the nation.

The State of Alabama has preserved law and order on the campuses of the University of Alabama under extreme provocation, as you know. In my telegram of June 12 I advised you of the schedule of the withdrawal of my  
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special law enforcement officers from the University.

You have created the situation existing in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. You must assume the responsibility. You cannot usurp the powers reserved to the State of Alabama and then place the burdens thereby created on my shoulders.

You called the National Guardsmen into Federal service without consulting me or without even complying with the statutes of the United States. Therefore, the defederalization of the Guard is a matter that you  
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will have to determine yourself. I will not be intimidated by your calculated attempt to pass to me the responsibility for the duration of duty of the National Guard.

GEORGE C. WALLACE  
Governor, State of Ala.

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