

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE
REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP OF THE CONGRESS CALLED FOR WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER THIRTEENTH, 1967, AT 1:30 P.M. IN THE CAPITOL
OFFICE (H-202) OF THE HOUSE MINORITY LEADER, THE HONORABLE
GERALD R. FORD

Present:

Congressmen Ford, Arends, Laird, Rhodes, Goodell, Poff, Cramer
Senators Dirksen, Murphy

Absent:

Chairman Bliss
Congressmen Smith, Wilson
Senators Kuchel, Hickenlooper, Smith, Young, Scott

Also Present:

John Fisher, Bryce Harlow, Robert McCormick, Robert Hartman,
Patrick Boarman, Harry Brookshire, J. Mark Trice

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in the Senate and was convened at 2:10 P.M.

The purpose of the meeting was to arrive at a position as to whether
or not prime time should be requested in order to answer President Johnson's
Miami speech. It was unanimously agreed that a request should be made for
equal time under the Fairness Doctrine. Prime time also was requested of
the networks. A press release was to be also issued. John Fisher was
instructed to handle the details. It was also requested that Chairman
Bliss be informed of the action.

There was a brief discussion of the legislative program.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

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