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STATEMENT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT AT ROSE GARDEN CEREMONY HONORING THE INITIAL PARTICIPANTS IN THE YOUTH OPPORTUNITY CAMPAIGN

Mr. President, Secretary Connor, Secretary Wirtz,
members of the Youth Opportunity Campaign Task Force, and
distinguished guests:

Ten days ago the President announced a nation-wide
Youth Opportunity Campaign to provide job opportunities for
out-of-work young people between the ages of 16 and 21. The
President asked me to head a task force to implement this
Campaign.

I am pleased to report that the response to the President's
appeal among federal, state and local government agencies,
private businesses, and non-profit organizations has been most
encouraging.

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We meet here this afternoon to honor those firms who responded most promptly to the Youth Opportunity Campaign.

We should, however, recognize the excellent cooperation we have received from federal officials, state governments and countless mayors.

It is indeed a privilege to meet with the President this afternoon to recognize the contributions of those businessmen with us today and the encouraging beginning which has been made to the President's Youth Opportunity Campaign.

I am pleased to present to you the President of the United States.



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