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-----guests that we have with us this evening. First of all, one of the leading Senators in the United States Senate, a great scholar, a great statesman, I'd like to introduce to you at this time, the Honorable Senator J. William Fulbright and Mrs. Fulbright, Democrat from Arkansas. Senator Fulbright and Mrs. Fulbright.

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And all the way from the Atlantic Coast from New Jersey, I'd like to present to all of you my fellow Big Islanders, Congressman Gallagher and Mrs. Gallagher and their charming daughter, Christine.

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I would like to present to you the person of course who is no stranger to all of us, our own Congresswoman, the Honorable Patsy T. Mink and her daughter Gwendolyn.

(CLAPPING)

Thank you very much Chairman Kimura, Mr. Vice President, Mrs. Humphrey, Senator Fulbright, my congressman colleague Mr. Gallagher of New Jersey, all of you wonderful friends and neighbors on this wonderful Big Island and town of Hilo, I can't tell you how marvelous it is to touch soil direct from the continental United States first on your lovely Island. And this is a prelude of great things to come and I know that you will do everything you can to make the visit here of the Vice President and his party a truly memorable occasion. Aloha and it's great to see you.

(CLAPPING)

Thank you very much Congresswoman Mink. At this time, I would introduce to you the other member of the team in Washington, our own

Congressman Spark M. Matsunaga and Mrs. Helene Matsunaga.....
Spark M. Matsunaga.

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My good friends of the Big Island and from throughout the State --
ALOHA! The jet age has come to the Big Island and this indeed is a
fitting inauguration, and for so many of you to stay up till this hour
of the night, knowing how soon you on the Big Island go to bed, to wel-
come none other than our great Vice President of the United States
certainly gives me a warm feeling and I thank you and I join you in
welcoming the Vice President of the United States. Aloha!

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Thank you very much Congressman Spark M. Matsunaga. At this time,
representing the Governor of the State of Hawaii, we have his personal
aide. The Governor was not able to be here because of the committment
that he had that he could not break. At this time I would like to
introduce to you the Governor's Aide, his personal representative,
Mr. Kenneth Brown. Kenny ----

Chairman Kimura, Vice President and Mrs. Humphrey, Senator and
Mrs. Fulbright, Congressman Gallagher and our two congressional members
from Hawaii and friends; it is a very signal day here for the State
of Hawaii. The visit of the Vice President is momentous indeed under
any circumstances. I think partly momentous because he is first touch-
ing down here in Hilo makes this a straight shot from the mainland and
we welcome him -- the State welcomes him and we wish him and his party
a most delightful and successful visit. Thank you.

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Thank you very much, Mr. Kenneth Brown.

At this time, I would like to introduce to you someone who is very close to all of us. She comes not as a stranger but really one of us, a dear friend of Hawaii, daughter of the Vice President and Mrs. Hubert Humphrey, Mrs. Nancy Solomonson. Mrs. Solomonson will you please stand up.

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And at this time Senator Daniel K. Inouye wanted to return to be with the Vice President and Mrs. Humphrey and all of us but as you know he did have a period of rehabilitation after his operation and because of his busy schedule there he asked that he could not be with us all this evening. However, he has sent us his representative, his personal representative, his aide, Mr. Henry Giugni who has done a great deal for us in coordinating this trip from Washington. Mr. Henry Giugni -- Henry.

(CLAPPING)

Ladies and Gentlemen, five years ago in early 1962 there came to the Big Island a Senator and his charming wife to spend a few days of vacation here. They may have come as strangers to the County at that time but in a few minutes as he went through the terminal and met all of us he became an instant Hawaiian, they became an instant kamaaina. Individuals who really knew the heart and soul of all of us and as of course as our Congressmen pointed out and our Congresswoman pointed out he comes at this time as a friend, as a kamaaina but he also comes at a time, at a most historic time. When we are talking about the direct jets from the mainland, we are talking about the direct flights not only from the West Coast but also from the Mid-West and particularly from

the South-west and the Atlantic cities. So at this time, I want to introduce to you not a stranger but a dear friend of all of us, the Honorable Vice President of the United States, Hubert H. Humphrey and Mrs. Humphrey.

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Aloha to you all. It is so good to be back again. Mr. Kimura and all of our wonderful traveling partners and ladies and gentlemen in the pronunciation of my linguist Sparky Matsunaga gives to me, ALOHA!

I thought that Mrs. Humphrey ought to say a word first. It is the way it is in most every family and possibly she will have the last word. But truly I want to bring to you the warmest greetings, the very good wishes of the man that wishes he could be here but whose duties of course are burdensome and demanding and who simply cannot have the pleasure of public office that the Vice President has and I refer of course to the President of the United States, Lyndon Johnson who says Aloha to all of Hawaii.

Mr. Kimura and those who have greeted us from the County of Hawaii here on the Big Island and the fine people of Hilo, I am so pleased to have a chance to say just this brief greeting to you not only from myself and for myself but for every member of the group that traveled with us and landed here and has the privilege tonight of seeing you and to be with you. I want you, Mr. Brown, to bring our best wishes and our thanks to Governor Burns and to all the members of the State Government of the State of Hawaii.

I am so pleased that Henry Giugni and his wife could come with us on this trip. We had hoped and hoped that that wonderful, valiant and courageous man of peace and war, this great Senator of yours, Senator Inouye would be with us but Danny simply couldn't make it. He asked me to say "hello" to you for him as did his esteemed colleague in the United States Senate, Senator Fong and both of them I carry the message to you of greetings and good wishes. How good it is though to have with us the splendid congressional delegation not only from your great State but members of your delegation that always tell us about the Big Island, always tell us about the wonders of this great State of Hawaii but to have with us tonight those that have been introduced, the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the United States Senate, one of our most able and distinguished statesman, a great public servant, Senator William Fulbright and his wonderful wife Betty and to have with us a fine Congressman from the State of New Jersey that comes here with a record of public service second to none in Neil Gallagher and then of course to have your own two leaders in the House of Representatives and that package of political dynamite in public service, Congresswoman Patsy Mink and then my traveling companion to Korea, the man that talked at least seven languages on our visit recently to the Republic of Korea and I told him tonight, he mustn't upstage me and I refer of course to Sparky Matsunaga and his lovely wife Helene.

These are wonderful people and we're delighted to be in their company. And there is one lady who didn't get mentioned and I want to call to your attention. She is a very modest woman. Her esteemed husband will be present in the State of Hawaii a little later. He is our great Attorney General and Mrs. Ramsay Clarke is here and I thought that if

she was around out there, at least she might just stand up so that we can see her and say hello to her.

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Well, we have a fine group and we are just so pleased that they could all be with us today. Now this is my 14th State to visit in the last thirty days. The 14th State in the last thirty days. Today we left the State of Texas in Fort Worth just about eight hours ago and journeyed non-stop from Fort Worth, Texas to Hilo on the Big Island and this beautiful, and wonderful, exotic, entrancing and fascinating State of Hawaii. We are so pleased that we could come and I am pleased to visit the Southernmost point -- the Southernmost point in the United States of America right here in Hilo. Just about a month ago, I was in the Northernmost point of the United States of America in the State of Alaska. How wonderful it is to have had these two new States - the State of Alaska and the State of Hawaii. What a fortunate thing for the United States of America where we are all the better and all the stronger because we are one great family.

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Just last Sunday, Mrs. Humphrey and I were in Maine and just the middle of last week I was in Florida. So when you hit Alaska and Maine and Florida and Hawaii all in a period of less than 30 days, you're traveling and you're living and you're living well. Thank goodness for the wonderful privilege of being a citizen of the United States.

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Now, I do want to thank the lovely ladies that were so gracious as to give me these leis and the lovely little girl that came here just to make an extra presentation. I am not going to take many more of your time except to tell you that we are going to spend two or three, four days I believe it is, yes, in this beautiful State. We are looking

forward to our stay here on the Big Island. We know that we are going to have the time of our lives and thank you for your welcome. Thank you for your hospitality and thank you my dear friends for coming out tonight to see us. May we always be worthy of your confidence and of your trust. Thank you very much.

(CLAPPING)

Thank you very much Mr. Vice President. I think we all recognize the great Aloha and the special warm Aloha that we have for Vice President Humphrey and Mrs. Humphrey and Mrs. Solomonson. However, at this time, Mr. Vice President, all of us in the County of Hawaii, the State Legislature, the Senate members, members of the House, members of the Board and Administrative offices, the party officials and all of us gathered here would like to extend to you our symbol of our Aloha, the key to our hearts, the key to the County of Hawaii, not only on this trip but on the many, many trips that you will return and stay with us again. So at this time, Mr. Vice President, with your permission, I'd like to present to you the key of Aloha to you so that you may come back and be with us many, many times.

Mr. Vice President.

Oh, thank you, thank you very very much. Thank you, thank you.

Thank you very much Mr. Kimura. By the way, I think I should tell you that in our family, you have a special representative for this State. I forgot to say that, I meant to. I really want to tell you ever since Mrs. Humphrey visited here in 1964 she considers herself the third U.S. Senator from Hawaii. She considers herself the third Congresswoman from Hawaii. She considers herself a part of Hawaii and I am glad of it.

(CLAPPING)

Thank you very much Vice President Humphrey and Mrs. Humphrey and all of the distinguished guests. I appreciate all of the great effort that the members of the committee who worked on this reception had put out and all of you for coming out to give this tremendous welcome to the Vice President of the United States and to Mrs. Humphrey. So, again, thank you very much for coming and good evening.



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