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Berlin BlockadeName: JOHNSON, Hon. Louis A.
The Secretary of Defense

Date: Sept. 26, 1949

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Regarding:

On above date President wrote stating last Wednesday, when the new German Federal Republic was formed, the Dept. of the Army completed its task of military government in Germany. Asks him to convey to Secy. of Army, and through him all the personnel, who have participated in this work, the President's thanks, and of the nation for the achievements in restoring and preserving peace in Germany; in resisting the blockade of Berlin. States they restored order and made a beginning of local govt. in U.S. Zone, and later, through economic fusion with British Zone, and French Zone, it became possible to establish the German Republic and to integrate Western Germany into European Recovery Program. Upon the return of General Clay last spring, the people of U.S. poured forth their expression of gratitude for what had been achieved under his direction. Wishes all who assisted in this great effort to have recognition. Is sure that history will find that the unprecedented relationship established between victors and vanquished has indeed strengthened the peace of the world.

ltr to Gen. Vaughan, 10/6/49, from Tracy S. Voorhies, Under Secy. of Army, thanking for help he gave in connection with above ltr from President.—back.

Note to Col. Reiskline, 10/7/49, from Major Gen. Carter E. Magruder, Deputy To Under Secy. of Army, asking him to obtain permission of White House for the Government Printing Office to reproduce 50,000 copies of attached ltr on White House stationery. Purpose is to furnish copy of above ltr to each person, military & civilian, who served in Germany during occupation.—Forward note Approved by President, 11 Oct. 1949. HH Vaughan

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