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Colonel Davenport: As you know I saw the Judge today. He talked to Mr. Early and, as I understand it, he and Mr. Early thought it proper to ask for an ATC plane.

I find myself in a jam because Assistant Secretary McCloy - and he has gone now - left instructions with me and his executive officer that unless the President's plane was broken out for this job, the Judge would have to go on a commercial plane. This is subject to an expression of desire from the President.

Consequently, if I go ahead and set a plane up, it will be necessary for me to have personal protection in the form of a letter saying that the President desires that this be done.