## HEADQUARTERS

1254TH AIR TRANSPORT WING, SPECIAL MISSIONS (MATS)

United States Air Force

WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

REPLY TO ATTN OF: PRES

16 June 1961

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

TO: Commander

1254th Air Transport Wing, Special Missions Washington National Airport Washington 25, D. C.

1. I would like to express, through you, my appreciation for the manner in which Captain Leon B. Spencer, aided this office in the recent modification of the electronic equipment in the VC-118 and VC-137A aircraft for Presidential use.

2. Working with the various vendors and contractors in the best interest of the Air Force for this fine equipment is a tribute to his technical knowledge, required in the contracting for this type of equipment, and reflects great credit on his ability and judgement.

3. This equipment is capable of doing a peculiar job for the Air Force in maintaining voice communications for the President, with the Command Post and the White House, as well as radio teletype and crypto use.

4. He did an outstanding job coordinating the installation of this equipment, aiding us to better perform our mission in the best interest of all concerned.

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JAMES B. SWINDAL Lt Colonel, USAF Presidential Aircraft Commander