

November 29, 1963

6:43 p. m.

100

CONGRESSMAN

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND LES ARENDS (t)

LBJ

.....

..... said he was for Ford fine... said he didn't like much for the Supreme Court Justice to go on but when I told him that there were foreign implications to it..and we had to have the highest judicial officer we could get... why we just don't want to leave any doubt that any foreign nation had anything to do with this, you see , and we will want the facts..and Hoover is going to have the facts..and this Commission can go over them. He said he'd protect this Commission..I mean the flanks..go all the way and back Gerry Ford

...

LA

Well, I talked to him...it was good of you to call but I was just talking to him..

LBJ

Well, I'll be darned..

LA

So it was all right.

LBJ

OK..now will you...

LA

Am glad that it has been clear...

LBJ

Well I'm glad that he's my friend and you heard him speak up the other day ...there...he's personable, too..

LA

Fine..and we'll work along all right...

LBJ

Well, he's my leader..OK... you make them stay around here though.. I can get you and damn it..these turkey hunters ought to carry a walkie-talkie with them..

LA

All right. Bye

LBJ

Bye