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Friday, September 26.

Press conference. President at Residence all morning. Lot of new Q&A's flowing in, which I sent over, although he had said to leave him alone. Went very well. Twenty-three questions covered, and he scored most of the points he wanted to. Was disappointed he hadn't done it at night on prime time. Very pleased though, regarding overall performance. He had six questions on Vietnam, and main lead was his strike at Senator Goodell regarding fixed date for all troops out.

In the afternoon, greeted four thousand GOP women on the South Lawn. Was just supposed to say hello but gave them a full campaign speech, plus a pitch on the Administration. Was in good form. Then a couple of meetings, and off to Camp David. Had Kissinger and me over after dinner for the "Odd Couple", pretty bad, especially for Kissinger who has been through the divorce process. Cranked up on follow-through on press conference. Alex had done a very complete game plan - President will push hard to see if it works.