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Monday, August 3.

Back to DC. Stopped in Denver for LEAA meeting. Great motorcade crowds all the way in from airport. Good stops along the way at Children's Hospital, etc. President gave darn good brief talks at airport and in front of Federal Building. A small group of bad hecklers at Federal Building.

Big flap arose from incredible comment by President at brief press statement - that Manson was guilty of LA murders. He was trying to make point regarding media responsibility for glorifying criminals - but it came out wrong. We had quite a time on Air Force One trying to work out a correction. President had John Mitchell and Ehrlichman write up a statement (Ziegler wanted him to go on TV on arrival). Just one of those things that's hard to explain or overcome. Press overjoyed at catching him - and playing it up big as possible.