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The Issue:

WINNING THE PEACE

- "Every American wants peace in Viet Nam.
 The question is what kind of peace.
 The war must be ended, but in a way that
 does not encourage aggression and
 thereby sow the seeds of future wars.
- "Beyond this, we need a new diplomacy one that looks past Viet Nam to the prevention of future wars, and one that enlists other nations more fully in their own defense.
- "In Korea, and again in Viet Nam, America furnished most of the money and most of the arms—and most of the men.
- "America is a big country. But there are only 200 million Americans, and there are more than 2 billion people who live in the free world. We need a new diplomacy that will get other nations with a stake in the defense of peace and freedom to bear their share of the burden. And we need a new diplomacy that will insure that, if the people of a friendly nation again are threatened, we help them fight the war but we don't fight the war for them."

The Issue:

RISING CRIME

- "In recent years crime in this country has grown nine times as fast as the population. At the current rate, the crimes of violence in America will double by 1972. We cannot accept that kind of future.
- "We need more police—better-trained, better-paid and better-equipped—in every community in America. We need new laws and new tools to root out organized crime.
- "We need a new respect for law in this country—a new determination that when a man disobeys the law, he pays the penalty for his crime. Some of our courts have gone too far in weakening the peace forces in this country as against the criminal forces, and we must restore the balance.
- "As President I would recommend to the Congress a national program—to take the offensive against the criminal forces that threaten the peace and security of every American, and to rebuild respect for law across this country."

The Issue:

PROGRESS WITH ORDER

- "Some people say progress comes before order. Some say order comes before progress. Both miss the mark. The point is that in a free society, order and progress must go together.
- "There can be no progress without order—without the respect for law, the decent regard for others, that makes peaceful and constructive change possible.
- "Neither can there be order without progress. Whether abroad or at home, we cannot bottle up despair and call that condition stability. Neither can we let impatience explode into anarchy and call that explosion progress.
- "Dissent is a necessary ingredient of change. But in a system of government that provides for peaceful change, there is no cause that justifies resort to violence. There is no cause that justifies rule by mob instead of by reason."

The Issue:

RUNAWAY GOVERNMENT

- "If I were to pick one major issue in this 1968 election in which the candidates have a basic disagreement, it is with regard to the role of government. There are some who believe the way to a better society is for government to get bigger and bigger—which means the rights and responsibilities of people would get smaller and smaller.
- "My position is that there are many things that runaway federal government is trying to do today that local government —or private enterprise or individuals can do better.
- "Let's never forget how America became great. We became great because for 190 years we have recognized that progress is achieved not through government doing more for people, but through people doing more for themselves.
- "That is why I say we should do everything we possibly can to give people an opportunity to control their own lives and destinies, and in that way to assure America's continued greatness."

The Issue:

FALSE PROMISES

- "I am not going to join the parade of those who promise to spend more billions this year while ignoring the reality of our present situation.
- "The cost of living is rising at its fastest rate since 1951. More government spending now would only add to inflation, hurting the very people it tried to help.
- "The nation faces an immediate economic crisis. The budget has to be cut, not raised. It would be an act of gross irresponsibility to promise additional federal billions that are simply not available.
- "Only if we can make substantial progress toward balancing the federal budget are millions of Americans going to be able to balance their family budgets.
- "In cutting spending, however, one area we must not shortchange is education. To neglect education would be to undermine our children's future. We must preserve local control of the schools, but continue federal assistance."

The Issue:

RESPECT FOR AMERICA

- "Hardly a day goes by when we don't read of another of our embassies being stoned, another of our libraries burned, another of our ambassadors insulted. And when respect for America falls so low that a fourth-rate military power like North Korea dares to seize an American naval vessel on the high seas, then I say it's time for new leadership in Washington—leadership that will restore respect for America around the world.
- "We are a rich country and a strong country. But to maintain its role of world leadership, America must be respected.
- "America must be respected for another reason. Peace depends on more than the measure of our power. It depends on the extent to which those who threaten the peace have respect for that power, as well as for our purposes."



