Steward on Columbine I, II, and III.

DESCRIPTION: First service as a steward for General Eisenhower. Personal background. Service on Columbine I in Paris, France; tour of twelve original NATO countries; service with General Ridgway; recall to service by President-elect Eisenhower; service on Columbine II; DDE/MDE food preferences; DDE diet after 1955 heart attack; DDE and MDE drink preferences; duties when Columbine was not flying; duties as an orderly/valet while on ground during trips with DDE; John Moaney; Dr. Howard Snyder; James Hagerty; choice of DDE’s clothes; interior of Columbine I, II, and III; overseas trips to pick up dignitaries—Queen Elizabeth, Sukarno of Indonesia, King Saud; Air Force I; King Frederik and Queen Ingrid of Denmark; citation from King Frederik; MDE and flying; introduction to Queen Elizabeth; trip to Philippines with MacArthur; relationship with Eisenhower; DDE & MDE in cockpit—Colonel Draper; trips with President Kennedy; tour around the world with Vice President Johnson; relationship with Johnson; impressions of Lady Bird Johnson; handling of gifts to the President; impressions of Khrushchev—pounding of shoe to get attention.

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