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HUMBERTO DE ALENCAR CASTELLO BRANCO  
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNITED STATES OF BRAZIL  
RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

On behalf of the American people I thank you for the  
~~very~~ kind message of best wishes which you addressed to the  
American people and to me on the 188th anniversary of our  
nation's independence.

Sincerely,

Lyndon B. Johnson

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