

# Untechnological Employment

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TWX WHITE HOUSE TO COL. K. A. BROWN  
COMMANDER PACIFIC SPACEPORT:  
CONGRESS PRESSURE HIGH  
INVESTIGATION IMMINENT  
MUST HAVE FULL INFORMATION  
WHY MOON LAUNCHES BEHIND SCHEDULE

TWX COL. K. A. BROWN TO WHITE HOUSE:  
UNSEASONABLY CONSTANT BAD WEATHER  
PREVENTS LAUNCHING  
FOR PAST THREE WEEKS

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO BROWN PSP:  
WHAT KIND OF BAD WEATHER

TWX COL. K. A. BROWN TO WHITE HOUSE:  
FOG

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO BROWN PSP:  
CONGRESS PRESSURE GREATER  
BAD PUBLICITY INVOLVED  
RUSSIANS ARE LAUNCHING ON SCHEDULE  
WHY CAN'T WE  
SOMETHING MUST BE DONE

TWX COL. K. A. BROWN TO WHITE HOUSE:  
STILL FOGGED IN

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO BROWN PSP:  
CHAIRMAN SENATE SPACE COMMITTEE SAYS  
FLY THIS WEEK OR HE WILL INVESTIGATE

TWX COL. K. A. BROWN TO WHITE HOUSE:  
SIR INVESTIGATE

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO COL. A. A. NEUMAN  
COMMANDER PACIFIC SPACEPORT:  
EXPECT YOU TO ACT IMMEDIATELY  
SOLVING PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION  
PROBLEMS RE LAUNCHINGS

TWX COL. A. A. NEUMAN TO WHITE HOUSE:  
WISH TO ADVISE FOG REMAINS  
WAS CLEAR FOR THIRTEEN MINUTES  
THIS A.M.  
PLEASE INSTRUCT

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO NEUMAN PSP:  
SENATE SPACE COMMITTEE  
UNDER SENATOR HARRY WASHWATER  
ARIZONA  
DUE PACIFIC SPACEPORT THIS FRIDAY

TWX COL. A. A. NEUMAN TO WHITE HOUSE:  
ADVISE YOU  
THIS OFFICE REGARDS WASHWATER  
SUGGESTION AS NOT ACCEPTABLE

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO NEUMAN PSP:  
IN CONFIDENCE  
ADVISE ANCILLARY POLITICAL  
CONSIDERATIONS MAKE IT DESIRABLE YOU  
RE-EVALUATE WASHWATER RECOMMENDATION

TWX COL. A. A. NEUMAN TO WHITE HOUSE:  
IN CONFIDENCE  
ASK WHAT POSSIBLE POLITICAL  
CONSIDERATIONS CAN APPLY HERE

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO NEUMAN PSP:  
IN CONFIDENCE  
HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT RATE  
NATIVE AMERICANS  
IN WASHWATER CONSTITUENCY

TWX COL. B. M. DEWAR ACTING COMMANDER  
PACIFIC SPACEPORT TO WHITE HOUSE:  
ADVISE YOU COL. NEUMAN'S DEATH  
ESTABLISHED AS SUICIDE

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO DEWAR PSP:  
REGRETS OFFICIALLY FROM THIS OFFICE  
NOW SUGGEST RE-EVALUATION  
OF WASHWATER RECOMMENDATION  
HOW IS THE WEATHER

TWX COL. B. M. DEWAR TO WHITE HOUSE:  
RE-EVALUATING  
WEATHER STILL UNSPEAKABLY BAD  
WAS THIS PLACE EVALUATED FOR WEATHER  
BEFORE SPACEPORT FACILITIES BUILT

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO DEWAR PSP:  
OFFICIAL POSITION IS  
CHANGE IN JAPANESE CURRENT  
ANXIOUS FOR YOUR DECISION  
ON WASHWATER RECOMMENDATION

TWX COL. B. M. DEWAR TO WHITE HOUSE:  
RESPECTFULLY DEFER DECISION  
TO YOUR OFFICE

TWX WHITE HOUSE TO DEWAR PSP:  
EMERGENCY FORCES ON WAY  
FROM ARIZONA THIS A.M.  
PER THIS OFFICE DECISION  
TO FOLLOW WASHWATER RECOMMENDATION  
PLEASE KEEP HOURLY INFORMATION  
COMING TO THIS OFFICE

TWX COL. B. M. DEWAR TO WHITE HOUSE:  
DANCING BEGAN AT OH FOUR TWENTY PST  
EVERY ASSISTANCE BEING EXTENDED  
BY THIS BASE

TWX COL. B. M. DEWAR TO WHITE HOUSE:  
DANCING STILL IN PROGRESS  
CHIEF BLUE SKY DECLARES  
REPertoire OF SUN DANCES  
FAR FROM EXHAUSTED

TWX COL. B. M. DEWAR TO WHITE HOUSE:  
COUNTDOWN COMPLETED  
LAUNCHING SUCCESSFUL  
VISIBILITY UNLIMITED  
WEATHER CONTROL PERSONNEL ASKING  
FOR OVERTIME PLEASE ADVISE  
AND ACCEPT MY RESIGNATION



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