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I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT I HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED BY THE NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD THAT A SETTLEMENT OF THE TWA STRIKE HAS BEEN AGREED TO BY THE NEGOTIATORS FOR UNION AND MANAGEMENT MEETING HERE IN WASHINGTON.

THE NEWS IS MOST GRATIFYING TO ME PERSONALLY, BUT FAR MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT MEANS THAT THE GOAL WE HAVE ALL BEEN SEEKING -- RESTORATION OF TRANS WORLD AIRLINE SERVICE BEFORE THE HOLIDAY SEASON -- HAS BEEN ACHIEVED. THIS MEANS THAT THE THOUSANDS OF TWA WORKERS CAN GO BACK TO WORK AND THAT THE KANSAS CITY AREA'S ECONOMY CAN SOON BE BACK TO NORMAL.

THROUGHOUT THE NEGOTIATIONS, IN MY CONTACTS WITH THE UNION AND MANAGEMENT, WITH THE MEDIATORS AND WITH FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, I HAVE BEEN MOST PLEASED THAT ALL SIDES HAVE GONE TO SUCH PAINS, IN A SPIRIT OF COMPROMISE, TO WORK OUT A SOLUTION.