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Biography

GAETANO MARTINO

President, European Parliament

Gaetano Martino has been associated with the European Parliament for five years. He first became a member in 1957 when the Community's legislative body was known as the Common Assembly. He retained his membership in 1958 when it became the European Parliament and has been twice elected its president -- in March 1962 and 1963.

Mr. Martino, born on November 25, 1900, at Messine, Italy, holds a doctorate in human physiology. He is a professor at Rome University and served as rector of the University of Messine from 1943 to 1957. He is the president of both the Italian Society for Scientific Progress and the Academia Peloritana. Mr. Martino is also a member of the National Academy of XL (a society of Italians renowned in science and letters).

From 1948 to 1954, Mr. Martino was vice president of the Italian chamber of deputies and president of its commission of public instruction. In 1954, he became minister of public instruction and foreign affairs (remaining in the latter post until 1957).

Mr. Martino was president of the Italian delegation at the fifteenth session of the United Nations and serves on the International Disarmament Commission. He is president of the Italian Liberal party and a deputy in the Italian Parliament.

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THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

The European Parliament officially came into existence in March 1958. But it first took form as the Common Assembly, in April 1951, with the signing of the Treaty of Paris establishing the European Coal and Steel Community. When the Common Market and Euratom were established, a convention was signed in March 1957 transferring the powers of the ECSC Common Assembly to a single legislative body serving all three Communities.

Now called the European Parliament, its members are appointed by and from the national parliaments of the Six. France, Germany, and Italy each have 36 delegates, Belgium and the Netherlands 14, Luxembourg six -- 141 members in all. It meets in Strasbourg.

In the Parliament the members sit by party -- the Christian Democrats, the Liberals and the Socialists -- and not by country, carrying out one of the first decisions of the former Common Assembly. At present, the Parliament's actual powers, granted by the Treaties, are largely consultative. However, the three Executives must report annually to the Parliament, which can oust them by a motion of censure, voted by a two-thirds majority.

Each year the Parliament elects a president and eight vice presidents. The mainspring of the Parliament's influence is in its standing committees. These are 13 committees, whose areas are: political affairs, external trade, agriculture, social affairs, internal market, economic and financial affairs, relations with underdeveloped countries, transport, energy, research and cultural affairs, health protection, administration and budget, and legal affairs.

Every member of the Parliament is a member of at least one of the committees, sometimes of several. The committees may meet at any time.

The committee system allows small groups to prepare reports on specific areas of the Community's work -- working documents for the Parliament. The reports are debated and put to the vote in a full session of Parliament. The committees also hold periodic "hearings" with the Community Executives, providing the Community with expert information and advice when needed.

Some of the recent Community policies debated by the Parliament have been:

1. The negotiations for entry of Great Britain into the Common Market.

2. Action on the second convention of association of the African states and Madagascar with the European Economic Community.

3. Definition of EEC relations with Latin America.

4. The state of multi-lateral tariff negotiation preparations in the framework of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

5. Development of a common energy policy.

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Washington Proceedings

Oct. 22, 1963]

THE PRESIDENT

Had breakfast with Democratic legislative leaders; saw Dr. Gaetano Martino, president of the European Parliament; welcomed Dr. Victor Paz Estenssoro, President of Bolivia, and later gave luncheon in his honor; addressed anniversary convocation of National Academy of Sciences; met with the Bolivian President.

White House announced West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard would see President next month.

THE SENATE

Approved by voice vote a $1.7 billion authorization for military construction projects; confirmed unanimously a series of treaties, including extradition pacts with Sweden and Israel.

Recessed at 4:01 P.M. until noon Thursday.

THE HOUSE

Passed and sent to the Senate bill easing hardships of a Federal unemployment-compensation tax increase scheduled for employers in 16 states.

Adjourned at 2:09 P.M.

Foreign Affairs Committee approved a $30 million, two-year authorization for the United States arms control agency.

Judiciary Committee set aside compromise civil rights bill and announced it would vote today on civil rights bill stronger than the one requested by the Administration.

DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

State Department spokesman said an unidentified plane "presumed to be Cuban" fired on an unidentified owned ship near Cuba.

SCHEDULED FOR TODAY
[Oct. 23, 1963]

President meets with Rene Maheu, director-general of UNESCO, 10 A.M.; sees William Randolph Hearst, Jr., chairman of the President's Committee on Traffic Safety, noon; attends luncheon at the Bolivian Embassy, 1 P.M.; meets with Bolivian President Victor Paz.

House meets at noon.



United Press International

European Official Visits Kennedy

Gaetano Martino, president of the European Parliament—composed of representatives of the nations which belong to the Common Market and Euratom—is shown as he visited with President Kennedy at the White House yesterday. After the meeting Martino, who also heads Italy's Liberal Party, said he felt that Mr. Kennedy shared his view that Britain should become a member of the Common Market.

THE EVENING STAR
Washington, D. C., Tuesday, October 22, 1963



Mrs. Robert Low Bacon (left) chats with Mrs. Sergio Fenoaltea, wife of the Italian Ambassador, and Mr. Gaetano Martino, president of the European Parliament, at a reception last night at the Italian Embassy given in honor of the Martinos.

DIPLOMATICALLY SPEAKING

STARRING AT THE ITALIAN Embassy earlier was the President of the European Parliament, Gaetano Martino. He is here with two colleagues on an official visit which includes meetings today with President Kennedy and Vice President Johnson.

He was honored by Ambassador and Mrs. Fenoaltea at a reception and will leave tomorrow for New York and Cape Canaveral.

The European Parliament, synonymous with the Common Market in the minds of many Americans, actually is comprised of three communities of the six participating nations, said Secretary General of the parliament, Hans Nord: The original coal and steel community, the economic community or common market, and the Euratom community.

Guests included British Ambassador and Lady Ormsby Gore, Canada's Ambassador Fritchie, Luxembourg's Ambassador Heisbourg, Donna Julia Brambilla, Representative and Mrs. Dante Fascell, the Francis Spaldings, and Mrs. Morris Cafritz.

LIST OF PERSONS INVITED TO PRESS LUNCHEON CABINET ROOM

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Tuesday, October 12, 1965 - 12:30 pm

Richard Scott
Manchester Guardian
1515 L. Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Peter Kortewe
Dutch Newspapers
3900 - [illegible] Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Klaus Neumann
German Press Agency
National Press Building
Washington, D.C.

Harvey Segal
Washington Post
1515 L Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Claude Moisey
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Washington, D.C.

John [illegible]
U.S. News & World Report
2300 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Henry Keyes
United Press International
National Press Building
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Mr. Joseph Kraft
Washington Post & Harpers Magazine
1515 L Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Richard Lawrence
Journal of Commerce
1325 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Marvin Zim
Time, Inc.
1120 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Hobart Rowen
Newsweek Magazine
National Press Building
Washington, D.C.

Thomas Ottenad
St. Louis Post-Dispatch
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Endre Marton
Associated Press
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Peter Weaver
Business Week
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Arthur Hoffmann
United States Information Agency
1776 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Joel Biller
State Department
Washington, D.C.

Reifenberg, Jan
Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung
Washington, D.C.

Meeting in honor of

The Honorable Gaetano Martino
President, European Parliamentary Assembly

TOPIC: "THE EMERGING ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT"

Thursday, October 24, 1963
5:15-6:30 P.M.

The Honorable William A.M. Burden
Presiding

Guests of the Council

Enrico Vinci — Chef de Cabinet

Mr. H.R. Nord — Secretary General of the European Parliament

Members of the Council

Rene Albrecht-Carrie
James B. Alley
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James P. Baxter, 3rd
Floyd G. Blair
Harry Boardman
C. Sterling Bunnell
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Arthur J. Goldsmith
Leland M. Goodrich

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J. Allan Hovey, Jr.

Frederic R. King
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G. Pagnamenta
Thomas P. Peardon

Samuel Reber
Alfred Rheinstein

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requests the pleasure of your presence at a

ROUNDTABLE MEETING

Thursday, October 24, 1963
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at the Harold Pratt House

"The Emerging Role of the European Parliament"

The Honorable William A. M. Burden will preside

With increasing urgency, the Atlantic alliance is confronted by the persistent political difficulty of making decisions for joint action. The older problem of concensus formation in Europe is made more acute by extending it through the Atlantic area. It is upon this need for effective political consultation and decision making by elected representatives that Dr. Martino will speak.

For his comments, Dr. Martino draws not only upon the lessions of the European Parliamentary Assembly, but on his experience as the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, as President of the Italian Delegation to the Fifteenth U.N. General Assembly, and with the Common Assembly of the Coal and Steel Community and the European Parliament, of which he became President in 1962.

The meeting will be private and off-the-record.

Please return the enclosed card if you plan to attend.



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WASHINGTON, D.C. — European Parliament President Gaetano Martino met with Ambassador Christian Herter, the President's Special Representative for Trade Negotiations, during a visit to the United States, October 21-26.

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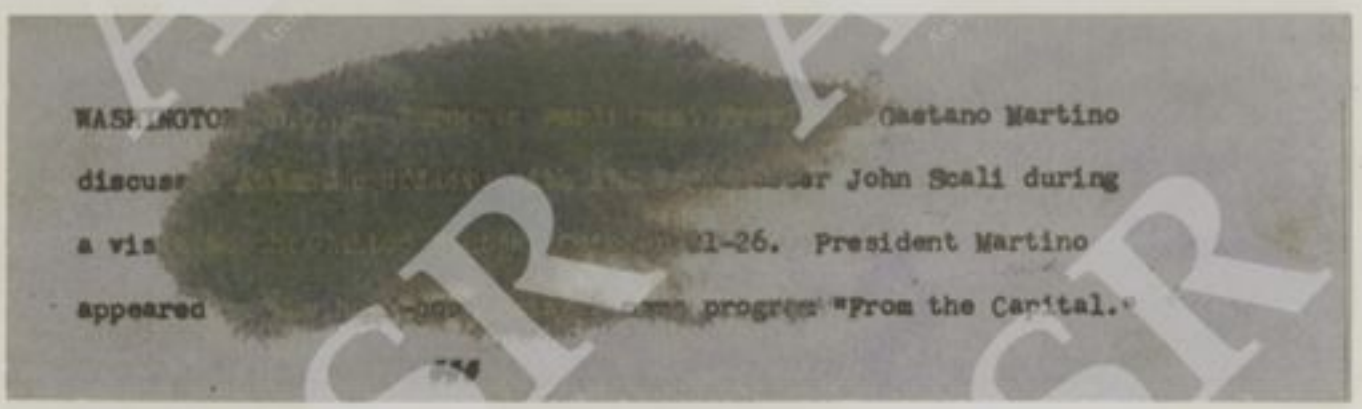
WASHINGTON, D.C. --- European Parliament President [illegible] (left)
briefs Klaus Neumann, [illegible] News Agency reporter, at a press luncheon
given during his visit [illegible] United States, October 21-26.


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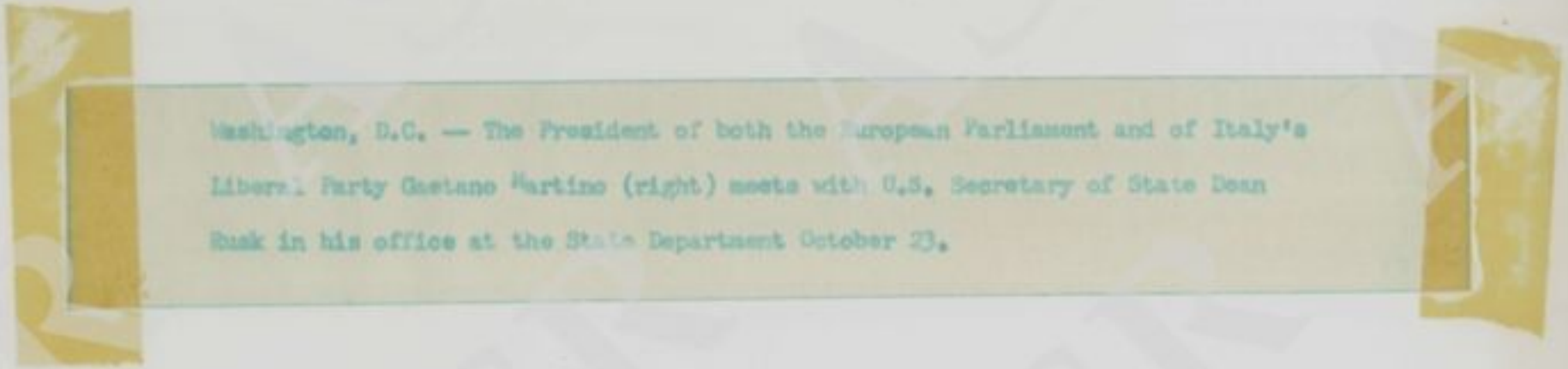
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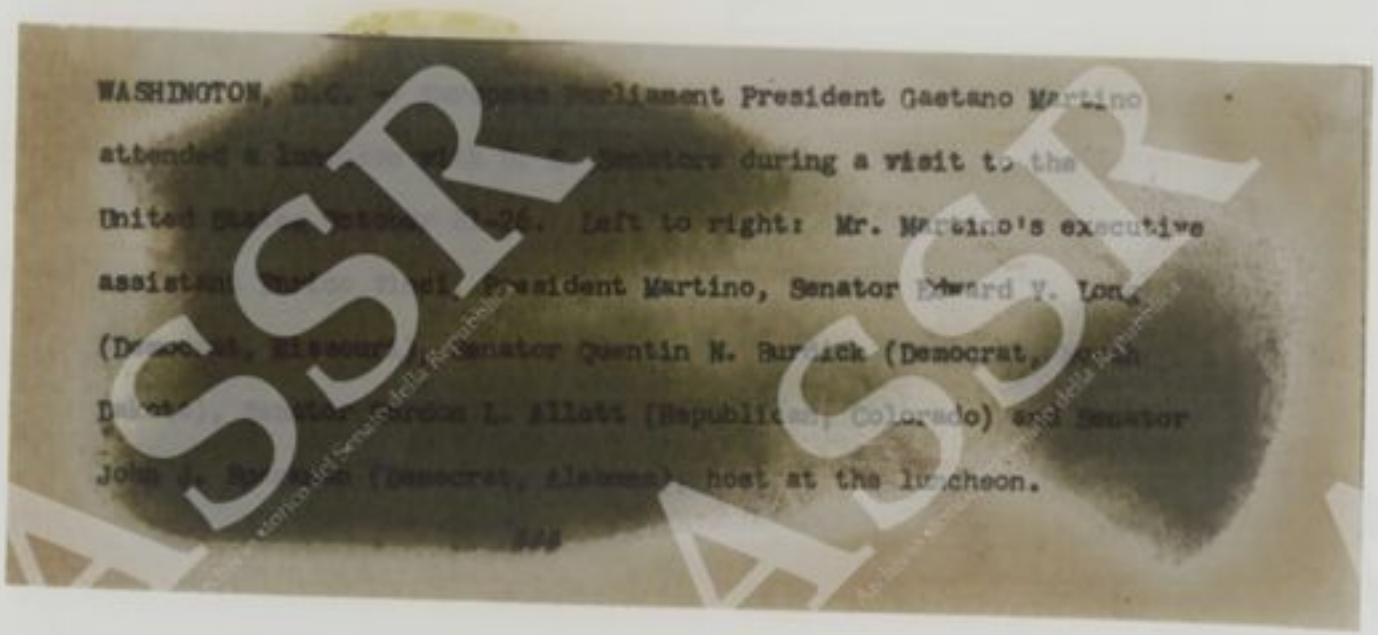
Washington, D.C. — The President of both the European Parliament and of Italy's Liberal Party Gaetano Martino (right) meets with U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk in his office at the State Department October 23.


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WASHINGTON, D.C. — European Parliament President Gaetano Martino met with Speaker of the House John W. McCormack (Democrat, Massachusetts) during a visit to the United States, October 21-26, to discuss Atlantic affairs. President Martino was accompanied by Secretary General of the European Parliament H. R. Nord (right).

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WASHINGTON, D.C. [illegible] Parliament President Gaetano Martino attended a luncheon [illegible] Senators during a visit to the United States [illegible]-26. Left to right: Mr. Martino's executive assistant [illegible] President Martino, Senator Edward V. Long (Democrat, Missouri), Senator Quentin N. Burdick (Democrat, North Dakota), Mrs. Carroll L. Allott (Republican, Colorado) and Senator John [illegible] (Democrat, Alabama), host at the luncheon.

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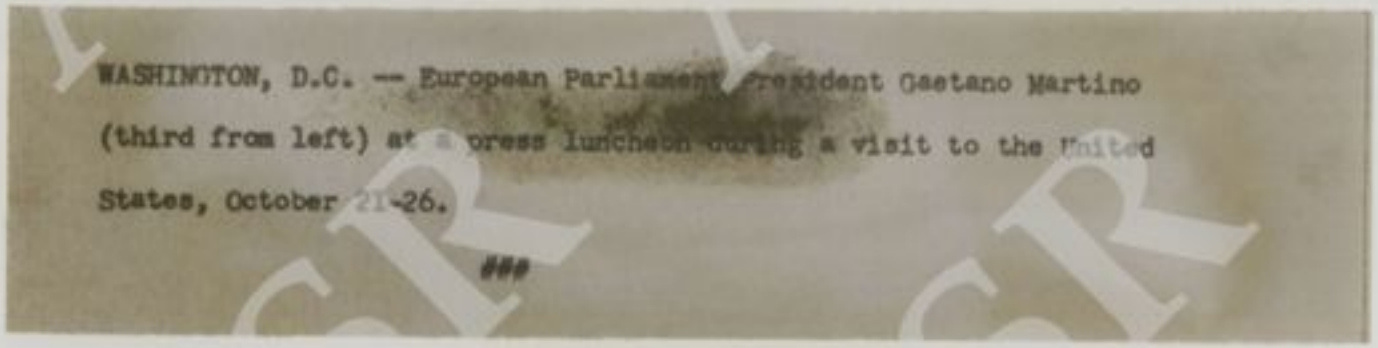
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — European Parliament President Gaetano Martino met with Senator Mike Mansfield (Democrat, Montana) during a visit to the United States, October 2[illegible] to discuss Atlantic affairs.





WASHINGTON, D.C. -- European Parliament President Gaetano Martino (third from left) at a press luncheon during a visit to the United States, October 21-26.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — European Parliament President Gaetano Martino met with Senator John [illegible] Sparkman (Democrat, Alabama), ranking member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, during [illegible] to the United States, Oct[illegible] 21-2[illegible] to discuss Atlantic affairs.

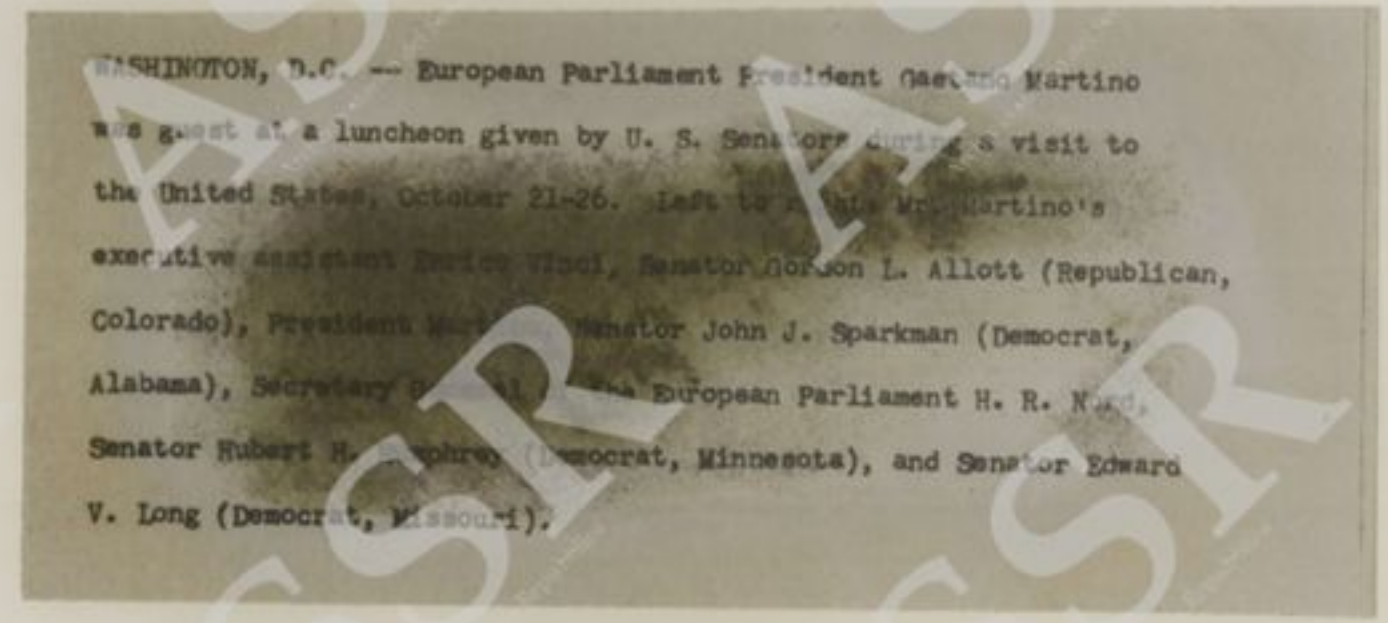
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — European Parliament President Gaetano Martino briefs State Department news correspondents after conferring with Secretary of State Dean Rusk during a visit to the United States, October 21-26.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- European Parliament President Gaetano Martino was guest at a luncheon given by U. S. Senators during a visit to the United States, October 21-26. Left to right are Mr. Martino's executive assistant Enrico Vinci, Senator Gordon L. Allott (Republican, Colorado), President Martino, Senator John J. Sparkman (Democrat, Alabama), Secretary General of the European Parliament H. R. Nord, Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (Democrat, Minnesota), and Senator Edward V. Long (Democrat, Missouri).



WASHINGTON, D.C. — European Parliament President Gaetano Martino met with Senator Frank Carlson (Republican, Kansas) during a visit to the United States, October 21-26.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — European Parliament President Gaetano Martino met with Senator Bourke B. Hickenlooper (Republican, Iowa) during a visit to the United States, October 21-26, to discuss Atlantic affairs.

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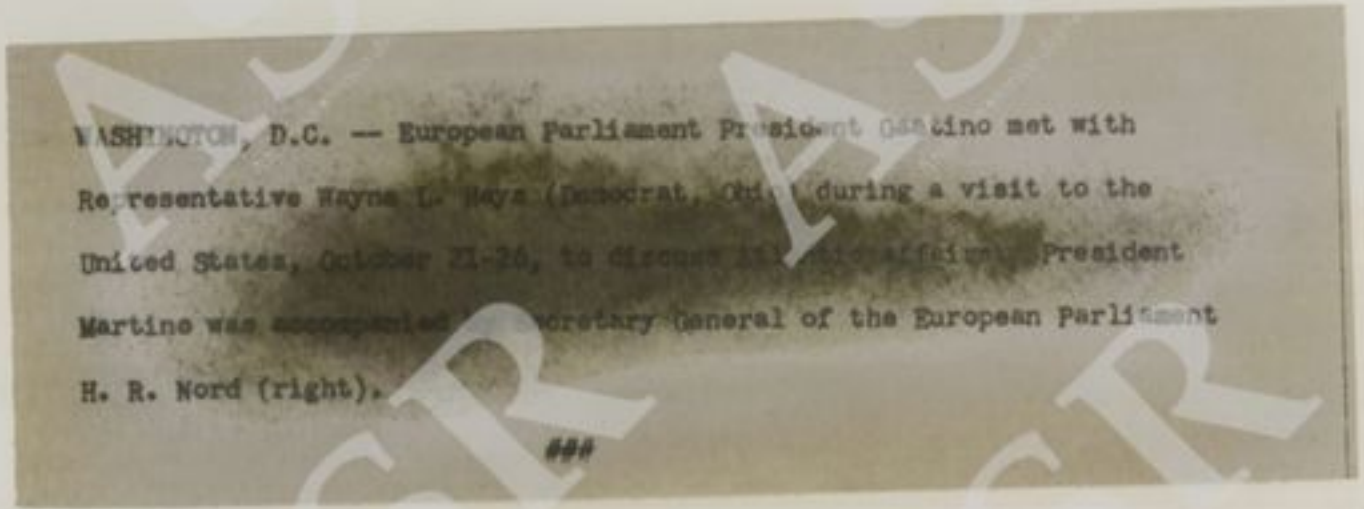
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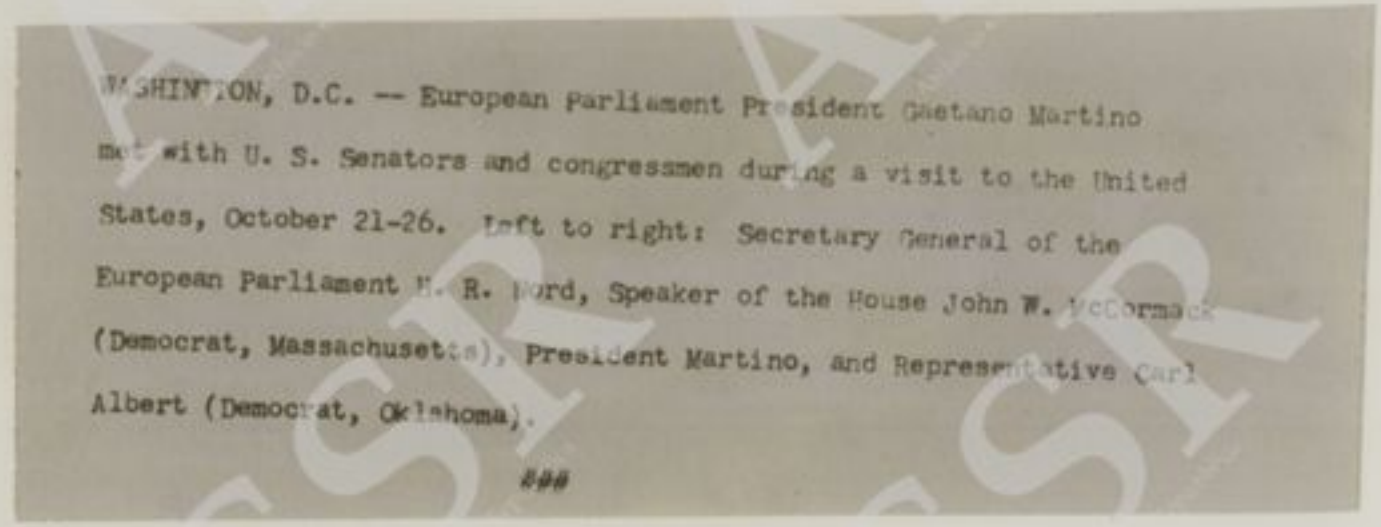

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(WX2)WASHINGTON, Oct.23-(AP)-Gaetano Martino,former Italian foreign minister,talks with President Kennedy at the President's White House office in Washington today.Martino is president of the European Parliament