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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The following were involved in the presentation to the President of a crystal grown in space in the Cabinet Room ceremony at 12:45 p.m.

LEFT TO RIGHT

Dr. James Fletcher, Administrator of NASA

The President

Dr. Howard Johnson, Board Chairman, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

M. I. T. conducted the crystal growing experiment aboard Skylab. Chips from the crystal are used in making transistors. Dr. Johnson told the President that the crystal grown in space is purer than those grown on earth, by a factor of ten, and could allow production of much smaller computers, calculators and other electronic instruments than can presently be constructed.

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