

First Search

10/26/62 - 7am (Abel 171) at 7 am, after preparing for 8 1/2 hrs with another destiny. The J. P. Kennedy signed the chartered "Marcella", of Liberia reporting that Panamanian ownership to have to. Previous radio contact with ship indicated cooperation. This is in NE of Bermuda (charts of 1812) on a half-horn a bounding party was aboard. By design, this was a "big cap" ship - should be a friendly visit in cargo. The Marcella should be, presumably having been ordered by J. P. Kennedy to submit. But work on missile sites continued in hotel (172)

They were put home away from firing activities (173)

Abel says because of this the "screw" was turned by State Dept. spokesmen ~~not~~ reporting at noon to JFK's Monday threat of "put her out" & Schrager's later statement (173-4) implying speedy missile work, ~~the~~ however, with JFK acting as though <sup>as though</sup> ~~what he had the initiative,~~ his own threat was under the sword, for it put the pressure on him to do something. The point. He was sitting tight. Meanwhile, as can be inferred, the morning air-lift talk of US protection of military figures turned the screw more - on JFK.

Meanwhile, RFK to DeBryon in JFK "could not hold off more than 2 days longer" (174)