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NEW YORK, MARCH 18 (AP)-SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY SAYS HE LOOKS FORWARD TO CAMPAIGNING FOR PRESIDENT JOHNSON IN 1968.

KENNEDY, ASKED BY NEWSMEN YESTERDAY ABOUT REPORTS OF HIS STRAINED RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PRESIDENT, DESCRIBED JOHNSON AS "AN OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT."

"I HAVE GREAT ADMIRATION FOR WHAT THE PRESIDENT HAS DONE HERE IN THE UNITED STATES AND IN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH COUNTRIES OVERSEAS," SAID THE NEW YORK DEMOCRAT. "I THINK IT'S NATURAL THAT THERE SHOULD BE SOME DIFFERENCES.

"THERE ARE ALWAYS DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PEOPLE IN POLITICAL LIFE. I HAVE GREAT RESPECT FOR HIM AND I THINK WE AGREE ON BY FAR THE LARGEST PERCENTAGE OF MAJOR ISSUES FACING THIS COUNTRY. I THINK THE ONES WE DISAGREE ON ARE MOST EMPHASIZED.

"HE HAS BEEN AN OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND I LOOK FORWARD TO CAMPAIGNING FOR HIM IN 1968."

FOR THE PAST SIX WEEKS THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS OF INCREASING TENSIONS BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND KENNEDY.

AFTER THE IMPROMPTU NEWS CONFERENCE AT A ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY KENNEDY GAVE, HE MARCHED IN THE ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE UP FIFTH AVENUE IN SUB-FREEZING TEMPERATURES.

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