Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2023

Remarks in an Exchange With Reporters Upon Arrival From St. Croix, Virgin Islands

January 2, 2023

Senate Minority Leader A. Mitchell McConnell/Brent Spence Bridge

Q. Why is it important to go with Mitch McConnell to Kentucky?

The President. It's his State. That's the reason. Because—

Q. Why is that significant, to be with McConnell there?

The President. We've been friends a long time. I don't—everybody is talking about how significant it is. There's nothing new there about our relationship. It's always been—[inaudible].

Q. Mr. President——

The President. It's a giant bridge, man. It's a lot of money. It's important.

South Korea

Q. President Biden, are you discussing joint nuclear exercises with South Korea right now? *The President*. No.

NOTE: The President spoke at 4:35 p.m. on the South Lawn at the White House upon arrival on Marine One.

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