JFK Visit to USS "Observation Island" 11/16/63

16mm silent Eastman Color II release print, 171ft. action, good condition, "A" wind

Source: Paul Fisher, White House projectionist (MR 73-70)

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On his visit to Cape Canaveral, Florida, President John F. Kennedy (JFK) flew by helicopter to the ship "Observation Island" where he viewed the firing of a Polaris missile by the submarine "Andrew Jackson".

Shot List

- 0'- Camera shows a naval officer; crewman pipes the President's aircraft aboard; flight crewman waves the chopper in.
- 19'- Helicopter in view, lands.
- 37'- President and party alight from the helicopter, are greeted, and are escorted to viewing area.
- 54'- JFK is given a sport jacket, which he puts on and wears while watching the firing exercise. Some very good shots of him in several places.
- 153'- Helicopter lift-off.
- 166'- Camera holds on a plaque marking date and place of the commissioning of the Observation Island.
- 177'- End of action