

“Forging the Alliance-President Kennedy visits Venezuela and Colombia”

December 15-18, 1961

Producer: USIS

16mm, color, sof, 592" from first picture frame to last picture frame.

This film is a visual record of President John F. Kennedy's (JFK) trip to Venezuela and Colombia in December 1961. The film also attempts to show the early success of JFK's "Alliance for Progress" in these South American nations. Where appropriate JFK's remarks that can be found in the President's Public Papers, 1961 have been cited.

Abbreviations: VO = Voice-over  
 CU = Close-up  
 MS = Medium shot  
 LS = Long shot

Shot List

0'-14' Title sequence-USIS production credits.  
 15'-26' LS Camera pans across rugged coastline and fertile grasslands. Narrator vo.  
 27'-31' CU Equestrian statue of Simon Bolivar. Narrator vo.  
 32'-52' CU shots of Latin American children attending school, receiving medical treatment, etc. Narrator vo.  
 53'-62' MS Banner welcoming JFK to Venezuela. Narrator vo.  
 63'-65' LS Presidential plane landing at Caracas, Venezuela airport. Narrator vo.  
 66'-92' MS JFK, First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy (JBK) disembark from plane and are greeted by Venezuelan President Betancourt. Narrator vo.  
 93'-104' MS Cheering spectators along motorcade route. Narrator vo.  
 105'-117' LS Helicopter flying over countryside. Narrator vo.  
 118'-136' MS JFK cuts ribbon and signs book at La Morita Resettlement Housing Project. Narrator vo.  
 137'-142' MS JFK, JBK shaking hands with Venezuelans.  
 143'-147' CU Inside of helicopter. Narrator vo.  
 148'-165' MS JFK greeted by crowd of farmers. Narrator vo.  
 166'-174' LS Spectators gathered to hear JFK. JFK VO from Public Papers, 1961 Item #509.  
 175'-194' JFK CU speaking at rostrum.  
 195'-197' MS Spectators applauding. JFK vo.  
 198'-240' JBK CU addresses the crowd in Spanish.  
 241'-249' JFK, JBK CU greet spectators following the speech.  
 250'-254' MS Helicopter taking off from airfield.  
 255'-265' MS JFK, JBK with President Romulo Betancourt and his wife in presidential palace. Narrator vo.  
 266'-290' MS JFK lays wreath at tomb of Simon Bolivar. Narrator vo. 291'-302' MS Motorcade through streets of Caracas to airport.  
 303'-318' MS JFK, JBK leave aboard presidential jet.

319'-331' Aerial view of the countryside of Colombia. Narrator vo.  
332'-339' MS Banner welcoming the Kennedys to Colombia. Narrator vo.  
340'-349' LS Presidential jet taxis to terminal of airport. Narrator vo.  
350'-377' MS JFK, JBK disembark are met by President Alberto Lleras Camargo of Colombia. Narrator vo.  
378'-374' MS JFK reviews the troops assembled. Narrator vo.  
385'-390' MS Motorcade to the site of a housing development.  
391'-401' MS JFK walking to the site of construction. Narrator vo.  
402'-407' CU Map of housing development. Narrator vo.  
408'-417' CU Unveiling of plaque dedicating the construction to JFK.  
418'-440' LS Motorcade through the streets of Bogota Colombia.  
441'-466' MS Crowd and guards along motorcade route. Narrator vo.  
467'-475' MS JFK posing with the President of Colombia. Narrator vo.  
476'-512' MS JBK visiting a children's hospital in Bogota. Narrator vo  
513'-535' JFK CU speaking at state dinner in his honor. Public Papers, 1961, Item #515.  
536'-562' CU shots of Colombian peasants working on farm. JFK vo.  
563'-568 JFK CU continues to speak at state dinner.  
569'-578' MS Workers on construction project. Narrator vo.  
579'-584' Aerial shots of clouds. Narrator vo.  
592' Last picture frame.

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