

Digitization of US Department of Transportation News

Scanning project for USDOT Office of the Secretary (OST) Collection

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

- 1969-1997
- Articles, newsletters, press releases, broadcast scripts, and reports.
- Published by US DOT Office of the Secretary, Office of Public Affairs, Office of Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs.

CONCLUSIONS

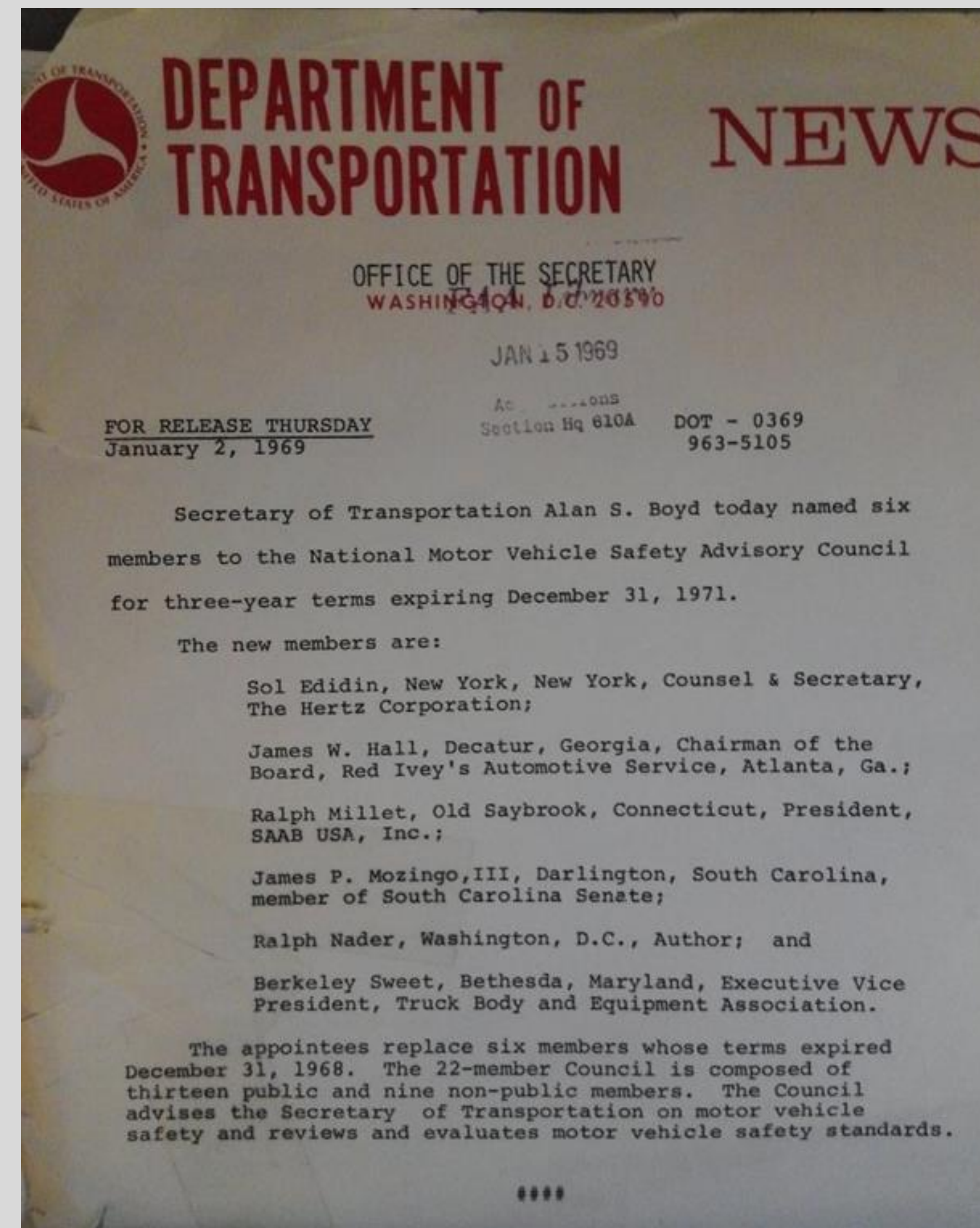
- Scanning project required strong communication skills.
- Negotiation and compromise were key in obtaining OST Collection.
- Careful attention to detail.
- Excel proficiency.
- Knowledge of metadata and cataloging.

ABSTRACT

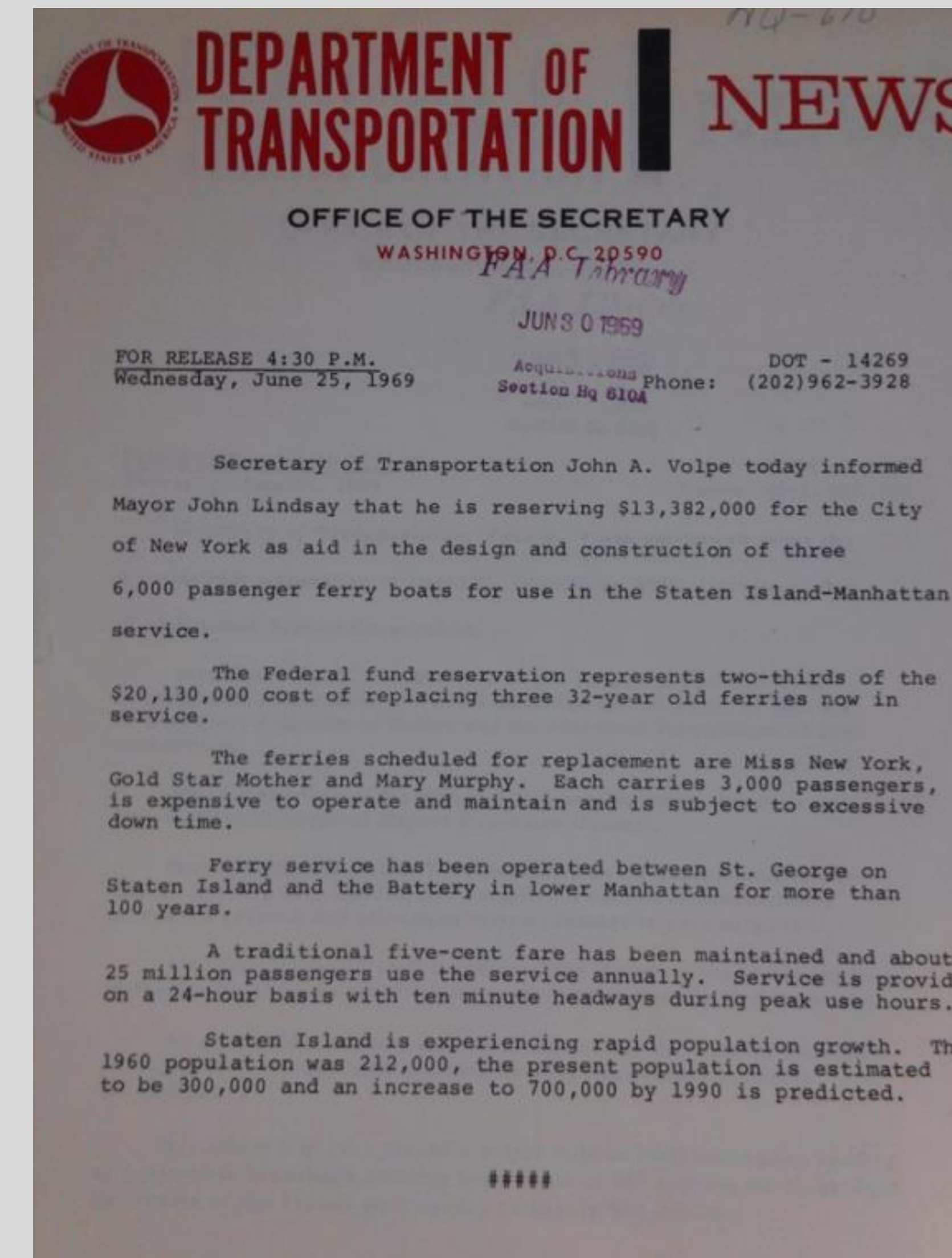
Secretary (OST) Collection. The OST Collection is a series of documents published by DOT OST from 1969 to 1997. This collection includes newsletters, press releases, broadcast scripts, and technical abstract reports. During the nearly thirty-years it was printed, OST documents were important for distributing important news and information to members of US DOT. Therefore, these unpublished documents hold rare and valuable information relating to the daily activities of the Secretary of Transportation and other USDOT-related activities. An inventory of the OST Collection was created and the documents are expected to be digitized and made accessible for the public in 2020.

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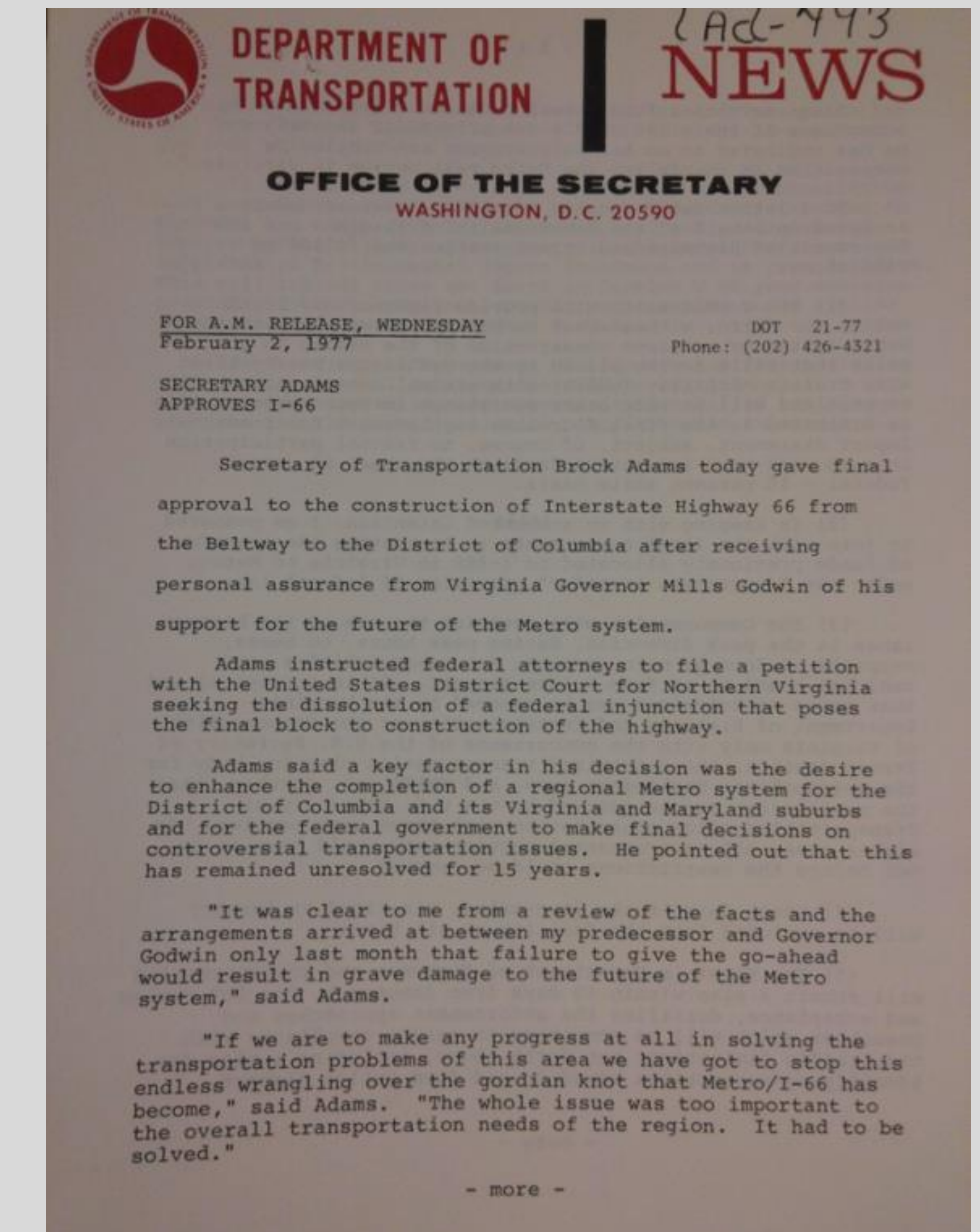
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Date: January 2, 1969
Issue: 0369
Secretary Boyd names six new members to the National Motor Vehicle Safety Advisory Council. One of the new members is a young Ralph Nader.



Date: June 25, 1969
Issue: 14269
Secretary Volpe reserves \$13, 382,000 for New York City in order to construct three new 6,000 passenger ferry boats for the Staten Island Ferry.



Date: February 2, 1977
Issue: 21-77
Secretary Boyd approves the construction of I-66 as part of a new development project for the Metro.