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### **Description**

President Harry S. Truman meeting with a group of African-American leaders, who urged President Truman to put qualified African-Americans into administrative and policy-making jobs in the government as part of a broad program for greater participation by African-Americans in the Defense Program. President Truman is seated in center. Those in attendance were: William Y. Bell; Mary McLeod Bethune (seated, left); J. Robert Booker; A. Philip Randolph; Dowdal Davis; Lester Granger; Elmer Henderson; Charles S. Johnson; Benjamin E. Mays; Channing H. Tobias; Willard S. Townsend; Walter White (seated, right).

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**People Pictured** Tobias, Channing Heggie, 1882-1961    Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972    White, Walter Francis, 1893-1955    Bell, William Yancy, 1887-1962    Bethune, Mary McLeod, 1875-1955    Davis, Dowdal Henry, Jr., 1913-1957    Granger, Lester Blackwell, 1896-1976    Mays, Benjamin E. (Benjamin Elijah), 1894-1984    Johnson, Charles Spurgeon, 1893-1956    Townsend, Willard Saxby, 1895-1957    Randolph, A. Philip, 1889-1979

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