

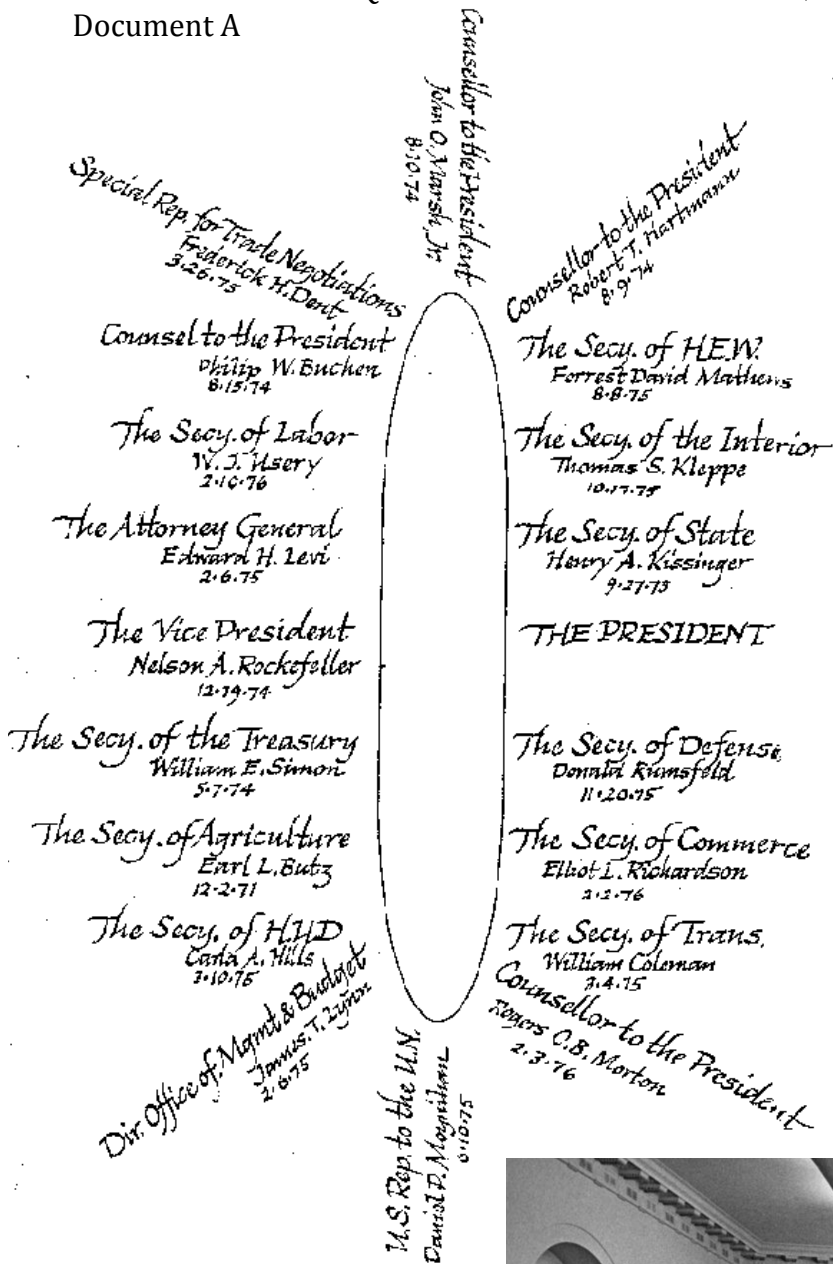
Executive Branch DBQ
Document A

1. What can you infer from both of these documents?

2. Who do you think these people are sitting at the table?

3. According to the textbook define cabinet.

5. How many cabinet members are there currently?



Document B



1. What do you think the president is doing in this photograph?
2. Who can you infer who he is addressing according to the document?
3. Using the textbook, define state of the union address.
4. Why do you think the president does this every year?

Document C



1. What do you think is happening in this document?
2. Using the textbook, define the word pardon.
3. How do you think this document relates to the word "pardon?"

WHEREAS it is essential that there be maintained in the armed services of the United States the highest standards of democracy, with equality of treatment and opportunity for all those who serve in our country's defense:

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States, by the Constitution and the statutes of the United States, and as Commander in Chief of the armed services, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. It is hereby declared to be the policy of the President that there shall be equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the armed services without regard to race, color, religion or national origin. This policy shall be put into effect as rapidly as possible, having due regard to the time required to effectuate any necessary changes without impairing efficiency or morale...

Harry Truman
The White House
July 26, 1948

1. Is this a law? What is your evidence?
2. What is Harry Truman saying in this statement?
3. Using the textbook define executive order.
4. Do you think an executive order is the same as a law?