

Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2024

Remarks Prior to Departure for Phoenix, Arizona
October 24, 2024

The President. I'm heading——

[At this point, several reporters began speaking at once.]

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[Several reporters spoke at once.]

The President. I'm heading to do something that should have been done a long time ago: to make a formal apology to the Indian Nations for the way we treated their children for so many years. That's why I'm going—that's why I'm heading west.

Thank you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 3:50 p.m. on the South Lawn at the White House prior to boarding Marine One en route to Joint Base Andrews, MD.

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