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The document is an article written by Hilary Weaver on June 20th 2018 and published on Vanity Fair, a monthly American magazine, website. It deals with American First Ladies.

In the first paragraph, the journalist introduces the traditional tasks First Ladies have taken in charge in the White House such as choosing menus and decorations. She also says that they usually concentrate on issues related to families and their well-being such as food, school or basic learnings.

In the next paragraph, the author explains us that although their rôle seems to be limited, they have more freedom than their husband to express on some controversial topics and she gives examples : Eleanor Roosevelt supported Black people, Barbara Bush drew attention on babies who had AIDS, Michelle Obama set an example when she said that nobody should lower himself by behaving the same way as his detractors and finally Hillary Clinton set an equality between women's rights and human rights in a speech in China.

As a conclusion, the journalist explains that First Ladies have much power even if they are not elected and have no official rôle to play.

The goal of this document is to inform us about the place of First Ladies but also about the invisible power and influence they have. The author, being a woman too, probably wants to put the spotlights on these particular women whose rôle is often underestimated.