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FACT SHEET  
Mrs. Ford's Office

Event Reception  
 Group Republican Governors and Spouses  
 DATE/TIME Nov. 29, 1976 6:00 p. m.  
 Contact Steve McConahey (Kathy Corcoran) Phone 6560  
 Number of guests: Total approx. 60 Women x Men x Children --  
 Place State Floor  
 Principals involved President and Mrs. Ford  
 Participation by Principal yes (Receiving line) yes (?)  
 Remarks required yes (?)  
 Background ==

REQUIREMENTS

**Social:** Guest list yes (Kathy in Steve McConahey's office will distribute list.)  
 Invitations no Programs no Menus no  
 Refreshments cocktails and hors d'oeuvres  
 Entertainment --  
 Decorations/flowers yes  
 Music yes  
 Social Aides yes  
 Dress Business Suits for the men - Long Dresses for ladies - tea checky - DRR  
 Other --

**Press:** Reporters no  
 Photographers no  
 TV Crews no  
 White House Photographers yes Color yes Mono. ---  
 Other --

**Technical Support:** Microphones ? PA Other Rooms --  
 Recording ?  
 Lights no  
 Transportation cars, taxi cabs & limousines - enter thru SW Gate  
 Parking South Grounds  
 Housing --  
 Other -- (Risers, stage, platforms) platform ?

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Site diagrams should be attached if technical support is heavy.

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FORD-CONNALLY

WASHINGTON (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD HONORED FORMER TEXAS GOV. JOHN CONNALLY AT A WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION TUESDAY NIGHT AS THE OUTSTANDING GOP FUND RAISER OF THE YEAR.

CONNALLY, A FORMER DEMOCRAT, CAMPAIGNED VIGOROUSLY FOR THE PRESIDENT, BUT HIS HOME STATE WENT TO JIMMY CARTER.

AT THE PRIVATE RECEPTION IN THE STATE DINING ROOM, THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE PRESENTED CONNALLY WITH A LARGE PAINTING OF AN EAGLE FOR RAISING MORE THAN \$3 MILLION FOR THE PARTY THIS YEAR.

REPORTERS WERE BARRED, BUT WHITE HOUSE DEPUTY PRESS SECRETARY JOHN CARLSON SAID AFTERWARD THAT FORD PRAISED CONNALLY'S HELP. CARLSON SAID ABOUT 150 GUESTS ATTENDED, MANY OF THEM FUND RAISERS AND CONTRIBUTORS.

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CHAIRMAN MARY LOUISE SMITH ATTENDED. CARLSON SAID HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER FORD HAS ASKED HER TO REMAIN IN HER POST.

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