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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON

THE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF VICE PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD AS THE THIRTY-EIGHTH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The White House
East Room
12 Noon
August 9, 1974

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SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

11:30 a.m.	The Vice President's family joins him in his EOB Office. Joining will be Mrs. Ford, Mike and Gayle Ford, Jack Ford, Steve Ford, Susan Ford, and Gardiner Britt.
11:40 a.m.	All, less the Vice President and Mrs. Ford, depart EOB Office and are escorted to the East Room of the White House and seated. The escort officer will be Commander Kerr.
11:45 a.m.	The Vice President and Mrs. Ford are escorted by Lt. Col. Sardo from the EOB Office to the Red Room of the White House where they will join Chief Justice Burger.
11:59 a.m.	Chief Justice Burger will depart the Red Room for the East Room, is announced, and proceeds to his place on the platform. (See diagram at Tab A.)
12 Noon	The Vice President and Mrs. Ford are escorted from the Red Room and are announced as they enter the East Room. The Vice President and Mrs. Ford assume their places on the platform. (See diagram at Tab A.)

12:02 p.m.	The Chief Justice asks the Vice President if he is prepared to take the oath. The Vice President answers in the affirmative.
12:03 p.m.	The Chief Justice administers the oath of office.
12:05 p.m.	The Chief Justice introduces the President of the United States. Following the introduction, the President moves forward to the podium and renders remarks. During the President's remarks the Chief Justice and Mrs. Ford will be seated.
12:15 p.m.	The President's remarks terminate. He escorts Mrs. Ford from the East Room to the Red Room. "Hail to the Chief" will be played during the President's exit from the East Room. The President will meet for approximately five minutes with the Chief Justice and the leadership in the Red Room. Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Burger and the wives of the leadership will mingle outside the Red Room.
12:20 p.m.	The leadership meeting in the Red Room breaks up. The President rejoins Mrs. Ford outside the Red Room and proceeds to a position in the entrance to the State Dining Room.
12:21 p.m.	The President and Mrs. Ford receive their guests. The Chief Justice will be the first through the receiving line.
12:40 p.m.	After the last guest has passed through the receiving line, the President and Mrs. Ford will enter the State Dining Room and mingle with guests.
1:00 p.m.	The President and Mrs. Ford, followed by the Ford children, depart State Dining Room for his EOB Office.

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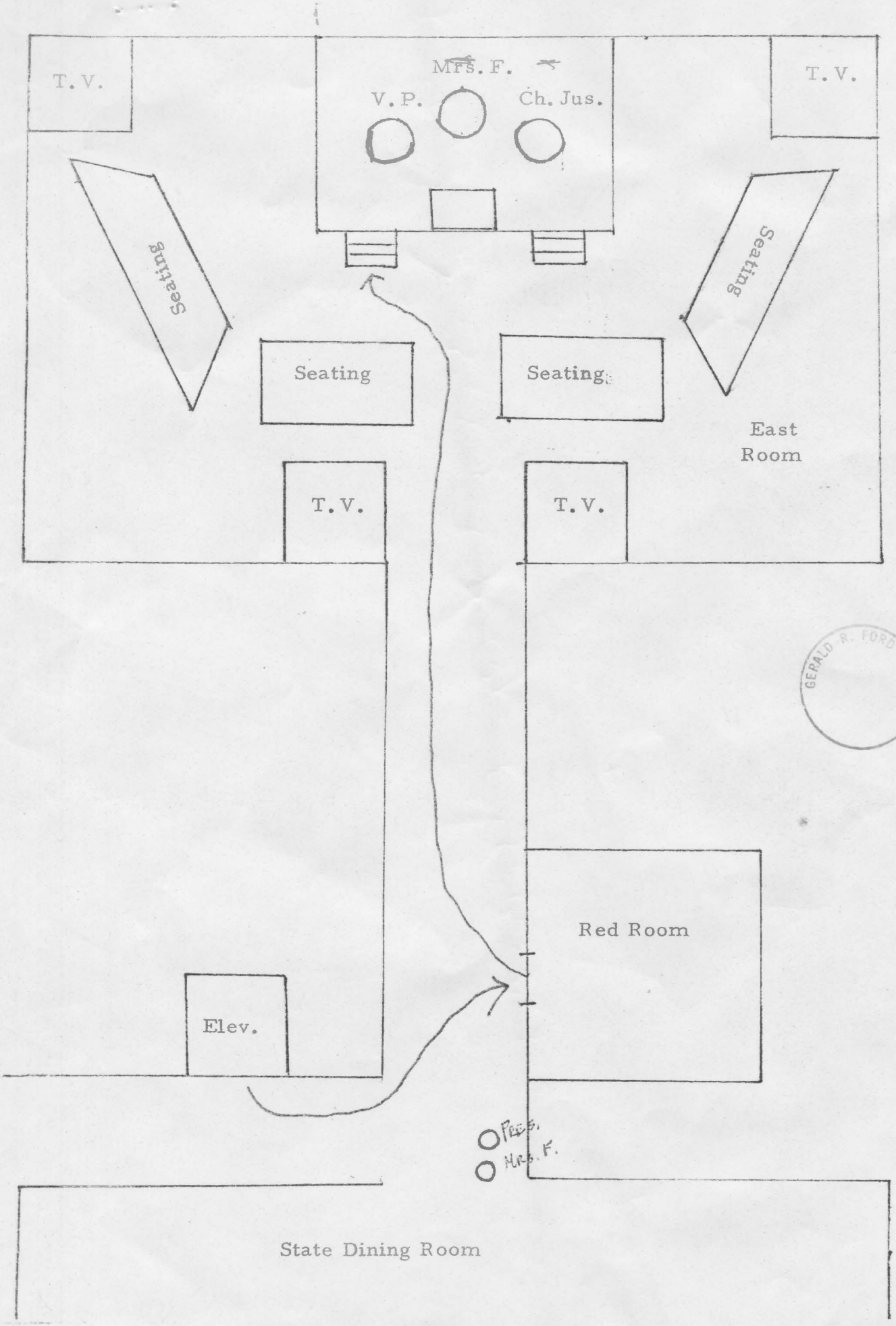

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