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TOAST FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S DINNER FOR
KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN, TUESDAY, MARCH 12
AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT

YOUR MAJESTY, AND OUR VERY
DISTINGUISHED GUESTS:



- 2 -

THIS IS THE FIRST OCCASION I HAVE
HAD SINCE BECOMING VICE PRESIDENT TO
WELCOME A VISITING HEAD OF STATE TO
WASHINGTON.



- 3 -

I FIND THIS A PARTICULAR HONOR / BECAUSE WE
ARE WELCOMING TONIGHT A VERY SPECIAL,
LONG-STANDING FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES,
A MAN OF RENOWNED COURAGE AND WISDOM:
HIS MAJESTY KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN.



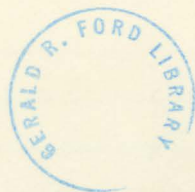


THE MOMENT IS AUSPICIOUS IN OTHER
RESPECTS. I -- AND I ASSUME ALL OF US IN
THIS ROOM -- CANNOT BUT BE ENCOURAGED BY
THE TREND OF EVENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST,
A MOVEMENT AWAY FROM WAR AND ACRIMONY
TOWARD ACCOMMODATION AND MUTUAL RESPECT.

- 5 -

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A GENERATION WE ARE
ABLE TO LOOK WITH SOME OPTIMISM TOWARD
THE PROSPECT OF A JUST AND LASTING PEACE
IN THIS TROUBLED AREA OF THE WORLD.





THE STRENGTH AND CONTINUITY OF THE RELATIONS BETWEEN JORDAN AND THE UNITED STATES ARE DEMONSTRATED BY THE FACT THAT HIS MAJESTY FIRST VISITED THE UNITED STATES FIFTEEN YEARS AGO WHEN, SHORTLY AFTER ACCEDING TO THE THRONE, HE WAS THE GUEST OF PRESIDENT EISENHOWER.

GENERAL EISENHOWER WAS A GREAT
SOLDIER. YOUR MAJESTY IS ALSO A GREAT
SOLDIER. BUT AS THE LEADER OF YOUR PEOPLE,
YOU HAVE PROVED THAT GREAT SOLDIERS ARE
IN THE FRONT RANK OF THOSE WHO WORK FOR
PEACE.



- 8 -

KING HUSSEIN HAS BEEN A FREQUENT AND
WELCOME VISITOR TO WASHINGTON DURING THE
KENNEDY, JOHNSON, AND NIXON ADMINISTRATIONS.



- 9 -

THE FACT THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER HAS VISITED JORDAN FOUR TIMES SINCE THE OCTOBER WAR IS, I BELIEVE, INDICATIVE OF THE IMPORTANCE THE UNITED STATES ATTACHES TO ITS RELATIONS WITH JORDAN.



ANY CHARACTERIZATION OF OUR
HONORED GUEST TONIGHT MUST CENTER ON THE
WORD "COURAGE" -- THE PHYSICAL COURAGE
WHICH ENABLED HIM TO ASSUME THE MANTLE OF
LEADERSHIP AT AN EARLY AGE,



- 11 -

SURVIVE NUMEROUS DIFFICULT CHALLENGES, / AND
PERFORM HIS DUTIES AS HEAD OF STATE WITHOUT
REGARD FOR HIS PERSONAL SAFETY, WITH ONLY
THE BEST INTERESTS OF HIS PEOPLE AT HEART.



- 12 -

MORE IMPORTANT IS THE COURAGE OF HIS
CONVICTIONS -- THE WILL TO DO WHAT IS BEST
FOR JORDAN WITHOUT FLINCHING BEFORE
COUNTERVAILING PRESSURES AND INDUCEMENTS.



- 13 -

HIS MAJESTY HAS CONFOUNDED HIS CRITICS AND
PROVEN HIS METTLE TIME AND AGAIN. WE ARE
HONORED TO COUNT HIM AS A FRIEND.





I WOULD LIKE TO ASSURE YOUR MAJESTY
THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES,
FROM PRESIDENT NIXON ON DOWN, ATTRIBUTES
THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO OUR CLOSE
RELATIONS WITH THE KINGDOM OF JORDAN AND



- 15 -

CONSIDERS THE CONTINUED VITALITY OF THE
SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WHICH HAS BOUND OUR
TWO NATIONS FOR THE PAST TWENTY YEARS TO
BE AN INGREDIENT ESSENTIAL TO ANY PEACE IN
YOUR AREA OF THE WORLD, THE CRADLE OF
CIVILIZATION AND HOME OF THE PROPHETS.

JORDAN HAS A KEY AND DIFFICULT ROLE
TO PLAY IN THE PROCESS OF WORKING TOWARD
AN HONORABLE AND ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION TO THE
COMPLEX PROBLEMS OF THE MIDDLE EAST.



- 17 -

I DO NOT PRETEND THAT THERE IS AN EASY ANSWER TO THESE HARD PROBLEMS, BUT I CAN STATE CATEGORICALLY THAT MY GOVERNMENT LOOKS FORWARD TO WORKING AS A PARTNER WITH JORDAN IN THIS DIFFICULT BUT HISTORIC CHALLENGE.



- 18 -

WE ARE NOT DISMAYED BY THE PROBLEMS WHICH
WAIT TO BE RESOLVED; OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH
JORDAN AND OUR RESPECT FOR HIS MAJESTY ARE
SUCH THAT WE KNOW OUR FRIENDSHIP WILL
SURVIVE AND, INDEED, WILL BE STRENGTHENED
AS WE WORK TOGETHER FOR PEACE AND DIGNITY.



- 19 -

YOUR MAJESTY, YOU ARE A FRIEND
AMONG FRIENDS WHO RESPECT YOU, / WHO ADMIRE
YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND YOUR STEADFASTNESS,
AND WHO ARE LOOKING FOR WAYS IN WHICH WE
CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE. YOU ARE ALWAYS
WELCOME HERE; OUR HOME IS YOUR HOME.



- 20 -

I WISH YOU A PLEASANT AND
SUCCESSFUL STAY IN THE UNITED STATES, AND
I PRAY THAT YOUR PRESENCE HERE WILL
CONTRIBUTE TO THE GOAL WE ALL DESIRE:



- 21 -

A JUST AND LASTING PEACE AND A MORE
DECENT LIFE NOT ONLY FOR ALL THE PEOPLES
OF THE MIDDLE EAST, BUT OF THE WHOLE
WORLD.



- 22 -

IT IS IN THIS SPIRIT THAT I ASK
YOU TO RISE AND RAISE YOUR GLASSES TO
HIS MAJESTY, THE KING OF JORDAN.



RETURN TOAST FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
KING HUSSEIN'S DINNER, ANDERSON HOUSE,
MARCH 13, 1974

I THANK YOU, YOUR MAJESTY, FOR YOUR
KIND REMARKS AND FOR YOUR GRACIOUS
HOSPITALITY.





YOUR VISIT HAS BEEN A PARTICULAR PLEASURE FOR ME IN THAT A LONGTIME, TRUSTED FRIEND OF MY GOVERNMENT ^{7 my fellow Americans} HAS BECOME A PERSONAL FRIEND. HAVING COME TO KNOW YOU, I CAN WELL APPRECIATE THE RESPECT AND ADMIRATION WHICH IS ACCORDED YOUR MAJESTY AND THE STRENGTH OF THE TIES WHICH BIND OUR TWO NATIONS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THE TIME WHEN I CAN
ACCEPT YOUR INVITATION TO VISIT JORDAN AND
RENEW THIS FRIENDSHIP.

~~I THINK~~ PERHAPS THE MOST SATISFYING
ASPECT OF THE JORDANIAN-UNITED STATES
RELATIONSHIP AS I HAVE COME TO KNOW IT IS
THE MUTUAL TRUST WHICH PREVAILS BETWEEN
OUR GOVERNMENTS.



WE ARE SURE OF EACH OTHER'S FRIENDSHIP AND
INTENTIONS, WE ARE CONFIDENT OF OUR ABILITY
TO WORK AS PARTNERS FOR PEACE IN THE
MIDDLE EAST, AND WE SHARE A DETERMINATION
THAT THIS PEACE SHALL BE BUILT ON THE
PILLARS OF HONOR, JUSTICE, DIGNITY, AND
RESPECT.



LET ME ASSURE YOUR MAJESTY AND YOUR
HONORED GUESTS THIS EVENING THAT OURS IS A
VERY SPECIAL AND VALUED RELATIONSHIP, ONE
WE SHALL STRIVE TO PRESERVE. YOU ARE A MAN
OF COURAGE AND ACCOMPLISHMENT, AND YOU ^{*a great soldier + a recognized + respected*} ^{*STATES*} ^{*MAN.*}
MIRROR THE ATTRIBUTES OF YOUR PEOPLE. WE
SALUTE YOU AND WE ARE HONORED TO COUNT YOU
AS A FRIEND.



WHEN YOU RETURN TO AMMAN I HOPE YOU
WILL CONVEY TO THE JORDANIAN PEOPLE THE
SINCERE BEST WISHES OF PRESIDENT NIXON AND
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

ALLAH MA-KUM. (MAY GOD BE WITH YOU.)

May I ask your guests to rise + join with me
in a toast to His Majesty, King of Jordan.



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Comment after meeting of VP with King Hussein
of Jordan at Blair House on March 13, ~~1973~~ 1974.

The meeting lasted for 35 minutes.

The VP commented:

"I appreciated the opportunity to discuss our mutual problems. I learned much. I say to the Jordanian people we are deeply gratified that King Hussein came to the United States."

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The Vice President cited the courage and wisdom of the king and his role in promoting a permanent peace in the Middle East. He said the king enjoys the support of the American people as a stabilizing influence in his part of the world.

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The king extended an invitation to the Vice President to come to Jordan. The Vice President replied that if he is able to make a trip ~~in~~ to the Middle ~~East~~ East he certainly will include Jordan in his itinerary.

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TOAST FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S
DINNER FOR KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN



Tuesday, March 12th, at the State Department

Your Majesty, and our very distinguished guests:

This is the first occasion I have had since becoming Vice President to welcome a visiting head of state to Washington. I find this a particular honor because we are welcoming tonight a very special, long-standing friend of the United States, a man of renowned courage and wisdom: His Majesty King Hussein of Jordan.

The moment is auspicious in other respects. I -- and I assume all of us in this room -- cannot but be encouraged by the trend of events in the Middle East, a movement away from war and acrimony toward accommodation and mutual respect. For the first time in a generation we are able to look with some optimism toward the prospect of a just and lasting peace in this troubled area of the world.

The strength and continuity of the relations between Jordan and the United States are demonstrated by the fact that His Majesty first visited the United States fifteen years ago when, shortly after acceding to the throne, he was the guest of President Eisenhower. General Eisenhower was a great soldier. Your Majesty is also a great soldier. But as the leader of your people, you have proved that great soldiers are in the front rank of those who work for peace. King Hussein has been a frequent and welcome visitor to Washington during the Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon



Administrations. The fact that Secretary Kissinger has visited Jordan four times since the October War is, I believe, indicative of the importance the United States attaches to its relations with Jordan.

Any characterization of our honored guest tonight must center on the word "courage" -- the physical courage which enabled him to assume the mantle of leadership at an early age, survive numerous difficult challenges, and perform his duties as head of state without regard for his personal safety, with only the best interests of his people at heart. More important is the courage of his convictions -- the will to do what is best for Jordan without flinching before countervailing pressures and inducements. His Majesty has confounded his critics and proven his mettle time and again. We are honored to count him as a friend.

I would like to assure Your Majesty that the Government of the United States, from President Nixon on down, attributes the utmost importance to our close relations with the Kingdom of Jordan and considers the continued vitality of the special relationship which has bound our two nations for the past twenty years to be an ingredient essential to any peace in your area of the world, the cradle of civilization and home of the prophets.

Jordan has a key and difficult role to play in the process of working toward an honorable and acceptable solution to the complex problems of the Middle East. I do not pretend that there is an easy answer to these hard problems, but I can state categorically that my government looks forward to working as a



partner with Jordan in this difficult but historic challenge. We are not dismayed by the problems which wait to be resolved; our relationship with Jordan and our respect for His Majesty are such that we know our friendship will survive and, indeed, will be strengthened as we work together for peace and dignity.

Your Majesty, you are a friend among friends who respect you, who admire your accomplishments and your steadfastness, and who are looking for ways in which we can be of assistance. You are always welcome here; our home is your home.

I wish you a pleasant and successful stay in the United States, and I pray that your presence here will contribute to the goal we all desire: a just and lasting peace and a more decent life not only for all the peoples of the Middle East, but of the whole world.

It is in this spirit that I ask you to rise and raise your glasses to His Majesty, the King of Jordan.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOHN O. MARSH
OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Subject: Draft Toast and Themes for King
Hussein Visit

Attached are a draft toast and draft themes
for a toast which the Vice President may wish to
use on the occasion of his March 12 dinner for
King Hussein of Jordan.

George S. Springsteen, Jr.
George S. Springsteen, Jr.
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. Draft toast
2. Themes for toast

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PROPOSED TOAST FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S
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*English equivalent of an Arab saying.

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PROPOSED THEMES FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S TOAST

Dinner for King Hussein of Jordan
Tuesday, March 12, 1974



-- This is my first occasion to welcome a visiting head of state. It is a particular honor to welcome this evening a very special, long-standing friend of the United States, a man of renowned courage and wisdom: His Majesty King Hussein of Jordan.

-- I am personally encouraged by the trend of events in the Middle East since October 1973. For the first time in a generation we can look with some optimism toward the prospect of a just and lasting peace in this troubled area of the world.

-- Any characterization of our honored guest this evening must center on the word courage: the physical courage which enables him to perform his duties as head of state without regard for his personal safety and with only the best interests of his people at heart. And the courage of his convictions - the will to do what is best for Jordan without flinching before countervailing pressures and inducements.

-- I would like to assure Your Majesty that the Government of the United States - from President Nixon on down - attributes the utmost importance to our close relations with Jordan and considers the continued vitality of our special relationship to be an ingredient

essential to any peace in your area of the world.

-- Jordan obviously has a key role to play in the process of achieving an honorable solution to the complex problems of the Middle East, and the Government of the United States looks forward to working as a partner with Jordan in this difficult but historic challenge.

-- Your Majesty, you are among friends who respect you and admire your accomplishments. I wish you a pleasant and successful stay in the United States and I pray that your presence here will contribute to the goal we all desire: a just and lasting peace and a more decent life for all the people of the Middle East.





SCENARIO FOR THE DINNER TO BE GIVEN BY HIS MAJESTY HUSSEIN I, KING OF THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN IN HONOR OF THE VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS FORD, ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK, THE ANDERSON HOUSE.

Dress: Black Tie.....Long Dresses

Arrivals: At 8:00 p.m. King Hussein and his party will arrive accompanied by Ambassador Salah.

At 8:10 p.m. Lt Col Blake will be stationed at the main entrance for the Vice President and Mrs. Ford's arrival. They will be greeted by King Hussein and escorted to the left, upstairs to the Drawing Room (receiving room). Guests will have entered and proceeded to the right for assembly in the West main stairhall.

Reception: The receiving line will be formed in the Drawing Room in the following order:

Ambassador Salah

His Majesty

Mrs. Ford

The Vice President

The guests will proceed upstairs to the receiving line in the Drawing Room and will continue to the second floor gallery for cocktails. After the reception several minutes will be allowed for private conversation with His Majesty and other distinguished guests in the Drawing Room.

Dinner: At approximately 8:30 p.m. an announcement will be made for dinner. After the guests have been positioned at their tables, His Majesty will precede the Vice President and Mrs. Ford through the gallery and downstairs to the Great Hall for dinner. Round tables will be used and the menu is attached at Tab B. The head table is located

near the stairs in the center of the Great Hall. The Vice President will be seated to the right of His Majesty and Mrs. Ford at his left. The other guests joining the Vice President and His Majesty are Ambassador and Mrs. Salah, Dr. Kissinger, Senator and Mrs. John McClellan and Mr. and Mrs. James Kimberly.

Entertainment:

Background music will be provided during the reception and dinner, but there is some question as to whether or not Miss Pearl Bailey will perform.

After Dinner:

After dinner His Majesty will propose a toast to the Vice President. The Vice President will respond with a toast to His Majesty. His Majesty will escort the Vice President and Mrs. Ford to the Museum Room and main stairhall for coffee and liqueurs.

Departure:

The Vice President and Mrs. Ford will depart the Anderson House followed by His Majesty.



Tab A - Guest List

Tab B - Menu



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NOTE

Mr. Dajani and Miss Dajani and Dr. and Mrs. Kouri of the Jordanian Party were not put in precedence.

In the SOCIAL group, only T. H. George Bush and Mrs. Bush and Mr. and Mrs. James Kimberly were put in precedence. It is believed the other guests under that heading may be placed one or several places. In addition, it was not known who some of these guests are.

His Majesty King Hussein I

H.E. the Prime Minister, Zaid Rifai (These two officials are
The Vice President and Mrs. Ford (second in rank in their
Secretary of State, Dr. Henry A. Kissinger (respective governments)

Ambassador and Mrs. Najati Kabbani, Ambassador of Lebanon

Ambassador Abdullah Salah and Mrs. Salah, Ambassador of Jordan

The Attorney General and Mrs. Saxbe

Senator and Mrs. John McClellan

Senator and Mrs. John Sparkman

Senator and Mrs. Jacob Javits

Senator and Mrs. Birch Bayh

Senator and Mrs. Mark Hatfield

Senator and Mrs. Charles Percy

Senator and Mrs. James McClure

Senator and Mrs. James Abourezk

Congressman and Mrs. George Mahon

Congressman and Mrs. Robert Sikes

Congressman and Mrs. Peter Frelinghuysen

Congressman and Mrs. Paul Rogers

Congressman and Mrs. Lee Hamilton

Congressman and Mrs. Jonathan Bingham

Congressman and Mrs. Edward Biester

Congressman and Mrs. Abraham Kazen

Congressman James Abnor

Congressman David Bowen

Mr. William Simon, Administrator, Federal Energy Office, and
Mrs. Simon

The Deputy Secretary of Defense and Mrs. Clements

Mr. Daniel Parker, Administrator, AID, and Mrs. Parker

The Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs and Mrs. Sisco

H.E. Ibrahim Izzedin, Under Secretary for Cultural Information
of Jordan

The Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Callaway

The Secretary of the Navy, John W. Warner



The Chief of Staff of the Air Force and Mrs. George S. Brown

The Permanent Representative of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
and Mrs. Sharaf

Mr. Robert McNamara, President, International Bank for
Reconstruction and Development, and Mrs. McNamara

Mr. H. Johannes Witteveen, Managing Director, International
Monetary Fund and Mrs. Witteveen

Mr. William Colby, Director, Central Intelligence Agency,
and Mrs. Colby

H.E. Dr. Khalil Salim, Chief of Jordan National Development Bank

Mr. L. Dean Brown, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Management,
and Mrs. Brown

H.E. Yanal Hikmat, Chief of Protocol of Jordan

The Chief of Protocol of the United States and Mrs. Smoak

General Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant to the President,
and Mrs. Scowcroft

The American Ambassador to Jordan and Mrs. Pickering

Archbishop William Baum

Mr. Robert Hartmann, Chief of Staff of the Vice President's Office,
and Mrs. Hartmann

Mrs. Katherine Graham, Chairman of the Board, Washington Post

Mr. William Spencer, President, First National City Bank, and
Mrs. Spencer

The Under Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Middendorf

The Under Secretary of the Air Force and Mrs. Blummer

Dean Francis Sayre, Washington Cathedral, and Mrs. Sayre

Brigadier Samir Farraj, Personal Physician to His Majesty

Dr. John Davis, President, American Near East Refugee Aide,
and Mrs. Davis

Mr. John Marsh, Assistant to the Vice President, and Mrs. Marsh

Mr. Rodger Davies, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for NEA

Vice Admiral and Mrs. Ray Peet, Director, Defense Security
Assistance, Department of Defense

Mr. Maruice Flinn, Chairman, Property and Finance Committee,
Order of the Cincinnati, and Mrs. Flinn

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Daniel, New York Times

Mr. Alfred Atherton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for NEA,
and Mrs. Atherton



Mr. George Bush, Chairman, Republican Committee, and Mrs. Bush

Mr. Omar Dayani, Special Assistant to President, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Mr. James Noyes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, and Mrs. Noyes

General Shafiq Jumean, Military, Naval and Air Attache, Embassy of Jordan, and Mrs. Jumean

Mr. Peter Maletesta, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce

Major General John Dunn, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Mrs. Dunn

Mr. James Kimberly, Honorary Consul of Jordan, Palm Beach, and Mrs. Kimberly

Mr. Harold Saunders, Senior Staff Member, National Security Council

Mr. Riad Sabri, Counselor, Embassy of Jordan, and Mrs. Sabri

Mr. David Korn, Country Director, Department of State, and Mrs. Korn

Mr. Nicholas Ruwe, Assistant Chief of Protocol, Department of State

Major Bader Zaza, Aide de Camp to His Majesty

Mr. David Ransom, National Security Council, and Mrs. Ransom

Mr. Stephen Ward, Desk Officer, Department of State, and Mrs. Ward

Miss Nancy Lammerding, Protocol Officer, Department of State

Mrs. Ymelda Dixon, Washington Star

Mrs. Joy Billington, Washington Star



GUEST LIST FOR THE DINNER TO BE GIVEN BY THE VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD IN HONOR OF HIS MAJESTY HUSSEIN I, KING OF THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN, IN THE JOHN QUINCY ADAMS ROOM, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, ON TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 1974, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK, BLACK TIE.



His Majesty Hussein I, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

His Excellency Zayd al-Rifa'i, Prime Minister of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

His Excellency the Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and Mrs. Salah

His Excellency Dr. Khalil Salim, Chief of the Jordanian National Development Board

His Excellency Yanal Hikmat, Chief of Royal Protocol of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Brigadier Samir Farraj, Personal Physician to His Majesty

General Shafiq Jumean, Military, Naval and Air Attache, Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Mrs. Jumean

Mr. Riad Sabri, Counselor, Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Mrs. Sabri

Major Bader Zaza, Aide de Camp to His Majesty

Colonel Mohammed Kassab, Aide de Camp to His Majesty

The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger, Secretary of State

The Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Shultz

The Honorable the Secretary of Defense and Mrs. Schlesinger

The Honorable the Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Dent

The Honorable Anne L. Armstrong, Counsellor to the President

The Honorable Bryce N. Harlow, Counsellor to the President, and Mrs. Harlow

The Honorable Dean Burch, Counsellor to the President

The Honorable Hugh Scott, United States Senate, and Mrs. Scott

The Honorable Edward W. Brooke, United States Senate

The Honorable H. B. Frelinghuysen, House of Representatives, and Mrs. Frelinghuysen

The Honorable John H. Rhodes, House of Representatives, and Mrs. Rhodes

The Honorable Samuel S. Stratton, House of Representatives, and Mrs. Stratton



- The Honorable Garner E. Shriver, House of Representatives,
and Mrs. Shriver
- The Honorable Lee H. Hamilton, House of Representatives,
and Mrs. Hamilton
- The Honorable the Deputy Secretary of Defense and Mrs. Clements
- The Honorable Joseph J. Sisco, Under Secretary of State for
Political Affairs, and Mrs. Sisco
- The Honorable Daniel Parker, Administrator, Agency for Inter-
national Development, and Mrs. Parker
- Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff,
and Mrs. Moorer
- The Honorable William E. Timmons, Assistant to the President
for Congressional Relations, and Mrs. Timmons
- Major General Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs, and Mrs. Scowcroft
- The Honorable Ellsworth Bunker, Ambassador at Large, and
Mrs. Bunker
- The Honorable Robert J. McCloskey, Ambassador at Large, and
Mrs. McCloskey
- The Honorable Linwood Holton, Assistant Secretary of State for
Congressional Relations
- The Honorable the Chief of Protocol of the United States, and
Mrs. Smoak
- The Honorable the American Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom
of Jordan, and Mrs. Pickering
- Mr. Robert T. Hartmann, Chief of Staff to the Vice President,
and Mrs. Hartmann
- Mr. John O. Marsh, Jr., Assistant to the Vice President for
Defense Affairs, and Mrs. Marsh
- Vice Admiral Ray Peet, Director, Defense Security Assistance
Agency, Department of Defense, and Mrs. Peet
- The Honorable Stanley Scott, Special Assistant to the President,
The White House, and Mrs. Scott
- Mr. Alfred L. Atherton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State
for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, and Mrs. Atherton
- Mr. Lawrence S. Eagleburger, Executive Assistant to the Secretary
of State, and Mrs. Eagleburger
- Mr. Harold Saunders, Senior Member of the National Security
Council Staff

- Mr. George Allen, Head Coach and Manager, Washington Redskins,
and Mrs. Allen
- Mr. William Baroody, Sr., President, American Enterprise
Institute for Public Policy Research, and Mrs. Baroody
- The Honorable John W. Byrnes, Washington, D.C., and Mrs. Byrnes
- Mr. Stuart Chase, Headmaster, Eaglebrook School, Deerfield,
Massachusetts, and Mrs. Chase
- Dr. Maurice Dawkins, National Director, Government and Con-
gressional Relations for Opportunities Industrialization
Centers of America
- Mrs. Anderson Dawkins, Mother of Dr. Maurice Dawkins
- Mr. Thomas DeFrank, Correspondent, Newsweek, Washington, D. C.
- Miss Nina Graybill, Washington, D. C.
- Mr. Paul Harvey, American Broadcasting Company News Commentator,
Chicago, Illinois, and Mrs. Harvey
- Miss Marjorie R. Hunter, Correspondent, New York Times, Washington,
D. C.
- Mr. Philip H. Jones, Columbia Broadcasting System, and Mrs. Jones
- Mr. James Kimberly, Honorary Consul of the Hashemite Kingdom
of Jordan, Palm Beach, Florida, and Mrs. Kimberly
- Mr. Wilbur G. Landrey, Foreign Editor, United Press International,
New York, and Mrs. Landrey
- Mr. Rodney W. Markley, Jr., Vice President, Ford Motor Company,
Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Markley
- Mr. John Willard Marriott, Sr., Chairman of the Board, Marriott
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~~Wente~~
Grey Riesling

Cold Smoked Salmon

Inglenook
Pinot Noir
~~1969~~

Filet of Beef
Fresh Asparagus with Hollandaise Sauce

Glazed Carrots

Endive and Watercress Salad

Brie Cheese Amandine

Schramsberg
~~Crémant~~

Iced Pineapple

Demi-tasse

Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Tuesday, March 12, 1974

~~██████████~~ TOAST FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S
DINNER FOR KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN



Tuesday, March 12th, at the State Department

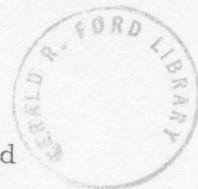
Your Majesty, and our very distinguished guests:

This is the first occasion I have had since becoming Vice President to welcome a visiting head of state to Washington. I find this a particular honor because we are welcoming tonight a very special, long-standing friend of the United States, a man of renowned courage and wisdom: His Majesty King Hussein of Jordan.

The moment is auspicious in other respects. I -- and I assume all of us in this room -- cannot but be encouraged by the trend of events in the Middle East, a movement away from war and acrimony toward accommodation and mutual respect. For the first time in a generation we are able to look with some optimism toward the prospect of a just and lasting peace in this troubled area of the world.

The strength and continuity of the relations between Jordan and the United States are demonstrated by the fact that His Majesty first visited the United States fifteen years ago when, shortly after acceding to the throne, he was the guest of President Eisenhower. General Eisenhower was a great soldier. Your Majesty is also a great soldier. But as the leader of your people, you have proved that great soldiers are in the front rank of those who work for peace. ~~Since~~ *King Hussein* ~~has~~ has been a frequent and welcome visitor to Washington during the Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon Administrations. The fact

that Secretary Kissinger has visited Jordan four times since the October War is, I believe, indicative of the importance the United States attaches to its relations with Jordan.



Any characterization of our honored guest tonight must center on the word "courage" -- the physical courage which ~~has~~ enabled him to assume the mantle of leadership at an early age, survive numerous difficult challenges, and perform his duties as head of state without regard for his personal safety, with only the best interests of his people at heart. More important is the courage of his convictions -- the will to do what is best for Jordan without flinching before countervailing pressures and inducements. His Majesty has confounded his critics and proven his mettle time and again. We are honored to count him as a friend.

I would like to assure Your Majesty that the Government of the United States, from President Nixon on down, attributes the utmost importance to our close relations with the Kingdom of Jordan and considers the continued vitality of the special relationship which has bound our two nations for the past twenty years to be an ingredient essential to any peace in your area of the world, the cradle of civilization and home of the prophets.

Jordan has a key and difficult role to play in the process of working toward an honorable and acceptable solution to the complex problems of the Middle East. I do not pretend that there is an easy answer to these

hard problems, but I can state categorically that my government looks forward to working as a partner with Jordan in this difficult but historic challenge. We are not dismayed by the problems which wait to be resolved; our relationship with Jordan and our respect for His Majesty are such that we know our friendship will survive and, indeed, will be strengthened as we work together for peace and dignity.

Your Majesty, you are a friend among friends who respect you, who admire your accomplishments and your steadfastness, and who are looking for ways in which we can be of assistance. You are always welcome here; our home is your home. ~~(Can't he say it in Arabic?)~~

I wish you a pleasant and successful stay in the United States, and I pray that your presence here will contribute to the goal we all desire: a just and lasting peace and a more decent ^{life} ~~life~~ not only for all the peoples of the Middle East, but of the whole world.

It is in this spirit that I ask you to rise and raise your glasses to His Majesty, the King of Jordan.

~~English equivalent of an Arabic saying~~



PROPOSED THEMES FOR VICE PRESIDENT'S TOAST

Dinner for King Hussein of Jordan
Tuesday, March 12, 1974



-- This is my first occasion to welcome a visiting head of state. It is a particular honor to welcome this evening a very special, long-standing friend of the United States, a man of renowned courage and wisdom: His Majesty King Hussein of Jordan.

-- I am personally encouraged by the trend of events in the Middle East since October 1973. For the first time in a generation we can look with some optimism toward the prospect of a just and lasting peace in this troubled area of the world.

-- Any characterization of our honored guest this evening must center on the word courage: the physical courage which enables him to perform his duties as head of state without regard for his personal safety and with only the best interests of his people at heart. And the courage of his convictions - the will to do what is best for Jordan without flinching before counter-vailing pressures and inducements.

-- I would like to assure Your Majesty that the Government of the United States - from President Nixon on down - attributes the utmost importance to our close relations with Jordan and considers the continued vitality of our special relationship to be an ingredient

essential to any peace in your area of the world.

-- Jordan obviously has a key role to play in the process of achieving an honorable solution to the complex problems of the Middle East, and the Government of the United States looks forward to working as a partner with Jordan in this difficult but historic challenge.

-- Your Majesty, you are among friends who respect you and admire your accomplishments. I wish you a pleasant and successful stay in the United States and I pray that your presence here will contribute to the goal we all desire: a just and lasting peace and a more decent life for all the people of the Middle East.



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Honorable Gerald R. Ford
Executive Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Vice President:

My wife and I would like to thank you for your kindness in inviting us to the dinner in honor of King Hussein last evening. My wife wanted very much to attend but, as I believe I mentioned, her feet are so swollen from the pregnancy that she isn't able to get into shoes.

Although several of us were disappointed not to hear the telephone story, it was a delightful evening nonetheless. And if I can speak for a moment as a private citizen rather than as a journalist, the fact that you would personally amend the guest list to include members of the traveling press says more about your human qualities than all your speeches and press conferences put together.

Thank you again for your thoughtfulness, and depending upon events at home, I plan to be traveling with you again in time for the Palm Springs trip.

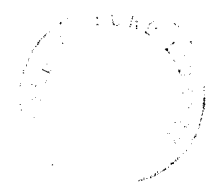
Sincerely,

Tom DeFrank

Thomas M. DeFrank



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c/o Mr. Paul Miltich
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DRAFT RETURN TOAST FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Handwritten initials and signature.

King Hussein's Dinner
Anderson House
March 13, 1974

I thank you, Your Majesty, for your kind remarks and for your gracious hospitality.

My greeting to you on this occasion can only be a very sincere Ah-laan wa Sah-laan^{*}, but I look forward to your next visit when I can say Ham dill-ah es Saleme^{may**}. You are indeed a welcome guest and we hope to see more of you.

Your visit has been a particular pleasure for me in that a longtime, trusted friend of my government has become a personal friend. Having come to know you, I can well appreciate the respect and admiration which is accorded Your Majesty and the strength of the ties which bind our two nations. I look forward to the time when I can accept your invitation to visit Jordan and renew this friendship.

I think perhaps the most satisfying aspect of the Jordanian-United States relationship as I have come to know it is the mutual trust which prevails between our governments. We are sure of each other's friendship and intentions, we are confident of our ability to work as partners for peace in the Middle East, and we share a determination that this peace shall be built on the pillars of honor, justice, dignity, and respect.

* Traditional Arabic greeting: Welcome

** Greeting to a returning guest. Literally, Thank God for your Safety.

Let me assure Your Majesty and ~~our~~ ^{Your} honored guests this evening that ours is a very special and valued relationship, one we shall strive to preserve. You are a man of courage and accomplishment, and you mirror the attributes of your people. We salute you and we are honored to count you as a friend.

When you return to Amman I hope you will convey to the Jordanian people the sincere best wishes of President Nixon and the American people.

Allah ma-Kum. (May God be with you)

