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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 6, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: RICHARD CHENEY
FROM: WILLIAM NICHOLSON *WNN*
INFORMATION: JERRY JONES
SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Schedule for the
Republican Convention

The schedule has been coordinated with the President Ford Committee, Convention Coordinators and White House staff members. It is structured so that the President's arrival at the Crown Center will be covered live by two networks. The President will participate in three PFC Caucus Team briefings, two of which will be at delegation hotels. The President will attend a PFC reception for the Pennsylvania and New Jersey delegations on Wednesday.

This schedule has sufficient contingency time to address White House business and it allows for meetings with special delegations, such as the Women's Caucus.

Sunday, August 15

5:55 p. m.	Arrive Kansas City Airport. Closed Arrival.
6:10 p. m.	Arrive Crown Center Hotel for Welcoming Rally. The rally will be covered live by two networks.
7:00 p. m.	Personal Time.
8:00 p. m.	Meet with Political Group (Morton).
9:00 p. m.	Personal Time.

Monday, August 16

8:25 a. m. Depart for meeting with Hawaii Delegation.

8:30 a. m. Participate in PFC Caucus Team briefing with Hawaii Delegation at the Crown Center.

9:00 a. m. Depart for PFC Youth (Presidentials) Holding Center at the Kansas City Trade Mart.

9:15 a. m. Greet participants in Presidentials Program.

10:00 a. m. White House Time.

12:30 p. m. Lunch

1:30 p. m.
(60 min) Meeting with uncommitted delegates. There will be three groups of delegates with five people in each group.

2:30 p. m.
(120 min) Meet with selected individuals to discuss Vice Presidential nominee. Bryce Harlow would coordinate and suggests that the President talk with the Vice President, Senator Goldwater, Senator Baker and Governor Connally.

4:30 p. m.
(30 min) Meet with Mary Louise Smith.

5:00 p. m.
(40 min) Meeting with uncommitted delegates. Two groups of delegates having 5 people in each group would be invited to meet with the President.

5:40 p. m. Personal time.

6:15 p. m.
(30 min) Drop-by Reception for Members of Congress, Republican Governors, and Heads of State Delegations hosted by Congressman John Rhodes at the Radisson Muehlebach.

- 7:00 p. m. Dinner with Family in Presidential Suite at Crown Center.
- 8:00 p. m. View convention coverage as shown on television. Senator Howard Baker will deliver keynote address.
- 10:00 p. m. Possible meeting with political group.
- 11:00 p. m. Overnight.

Tuesday, August 17

- 8:00 a. m. Breakfast with political group.
- 8:30 a. m. Meet with Regional Whips - 17th Floor Crown Center.
- 9:30 a. m. Meet with State Whips - Century Ballroom of Crown Center.
- 10:20 a. m. Depart for Hilton Plaza and meeting with Illinois Delegation.
- 10:30 a. m. Participate in PFC Caucus Team briefing with the Illinois Delegation.
- 11:30 a. m. White House Time.
- 1:30 p. m.
(60 min) Meet with Congressional Leaders to discuss the Vice Presidential nominee. Bryce Harlow to coordinate.
- 2:30 p. m. Personal Time.
- 3:15 p. m. Depart for Western Hills Hotel and meeting with West Virginia Delegation.
- 3:30 p. m. Participate in PFC Caucus Team briefing with the West Virginia Delegation.
- 4:15 p. m. Personal Time.
- 5:00 p. m.
(45 min) Attend reception for black Ford delegates.

5:45 p. m. Personal Time.

6:30 p. m. Dinner with Family at a Kansas City Restaurant.

8:00 p. m. View convention coverage on television.

10:00 p. m. Possible meeting with political group.

11:00 p. m. Overnight.

Wednesday, August 18

8:00 a. m. Breakfast with Political Group.

8:30 a. m. Meet with PFC Convention Staff. 3rd Floor - Crown Center.

9:00 a. m.
(60 min) Meet with Republican Governors to discuss Vice Presidential nominee. Bryce Harlow to coordinate.

10:00 a. m. White House Time.

11:30 a. m.
(45 min) Meet with Selected Individuals to discuss Vice Presidential nominee. Bryce Harlow suggests Senator Tower, Clarke Reed and Harry Dent.

12:15 p. m.
(45 min) With Mrs. Ford, drop-by United Republican Victory Luncheon at the Radisson Muehlebach Hotel. Morton made a previous commitment to the RNC that the President and Mrs. Ford would drop-by this fundraiser. Invitations to the fundraiser were sent under the sponsorship of the President and Mrs. Ford and Governor and Mrs. Reagan.

1:00 p. m. Personal Time.

2:00 p. m. (60 min) • Meet with Selected Individuals concerning the Vice Presidential nominee. Harlow suggests that this meeting include Senators Brooke, Brock and Percy.

3:00 p. m. Personal Time.

4:00 p. m. Meet with Strategy Committee.

4:30 p. m. Meet with Regional Whips.

5:00 p. m. Personal Time.

5:30 p. m. Attend reception in honor of the Pennsylvania and New Jersey delegations at the Crown Center.

6:30 p. m. Dinner with Family at the Hotel.

8:00 p. m. View convention coverage on television.

11:00 p. m. With Mrs. Ford, visit Governor and Mrs. Reagan at the Alameda Plaza Hotel/

12:00 p. m. Overnight.

Thursday, August 19

8:00 a. m. Breakfast with Vice President Rockefeller, Governors Reagan and Connally, Senator Goldwater and the Vice Presidential candidate.

9:00 a. m. Make telephone calls to key Republicans to advise on selection of the Vice Presidential candidate.

10:00 a. m. Press Conference to announce the Vice Presidential candidate.

10:30 a. m. White House Time.

12:30 a. m. Luncheon with selected political reporters.

2:00 p. m. Speech Preparation Time.

7:00 p. m. Dinner.

9:30 p. m. Arrive at the Kemper Arena to deliver Acceptance Speech.

10:30 p. m. • Attend Unity Party.

11:30 p. m. Overnight.

Friday, August 20

8:00 a. m. Meet with new Republican National Committee
at the Radisson Muehlebach.

9:00 a. m. Meet with Eastern Group on the Campaign.
Spencer to coordinate.

9:40 a. m. Meet with Southern Group on the Campaign.
Spencer to coordinate.

10:20 a. m. Meet with Midwestern Group on the Campaign.
Spencer to coordinate.

11:00 a. m. Meet with Farm Belt Group on the Campaign.
Spencer to coordinate.

11:40 a. m. Meet with Western Group on Campaign.
Spencer to coordinate.

12:45 p. m. Depart Crown Center.

1:00 p. m. Depart Kansas City.