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FEDERAL AGENCY BICENTENNIAL

TASK FORCE MEETING

October 20, 1975

4:00-5:00 PM

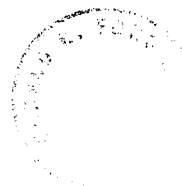
Roosevelt Room

The White House

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Administration
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Counsellor to the President



THE WHITE HOUSE


WASHINGTON

October 16, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

JOHN O. MARSH, JR. 
COUNSELLOR TO THE PRESIDENT

There will be a meeting of the Federal Agency Bicentennial Task Force on Monday, October 20, 1975 from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Roosevelt Room. An agenda will follow.

Because of space limitations in the Roosevelt Room, it is requested that only Task Force principals attend. Please contact Annita Holland on 456-2800 to advise if you will be present.

bc: Robert W. Caccia
Richard R. Hite

Q. What is the Postal Service planning as part of the national bicentennial observance?

A. Preceding the birth of the United States by almost one year, the Postal Service will celebrate its and the country's bicentennial this year and next with programs endorsed by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

Postal Service Bicentennial Post Office -

A recently restored building in Philadelphia located in Benjamin Franklin Square where Franklin, the first Postmaster General, lived and worked, has been designated as a colonial post office in honor of the bicentennial. The colonial post office, operated by postal employees, has been designated the B. Free Franklin Post Office. This project is in cooperation with the National Park Service.

Art Contest

Involving the children of postal employees, an art contest was conducted in early 1975. Entries from elementary and high school students were submitted depicting various phases of postal work and/or history. Out of nearly 3,000 entries, eleven winners were chosen by art departments in five universities across the country. The winners participated in an appropriate ceremony in connection with the issuance

of USPS bicentennial stamps at the B. Free Franklin Post Office in Philadelphia.

Art Exhibit

In conjunction with the National Art Education Association, the Postal Service conducted a public school art program in celebration of the Postal Service bicentennial. Of the art work submitted by 750,000 students nationwide, 3,000 pieces have been placed on traveling exhibits with art crisscrossing the country visiting museums, schools, post offices, shopping centers, etc. Kickoff of the program took place at the National Art Education Association's convention in Miami, Florida, in April 1975. It is estimated that well over 2,000,000 will view these exhibits.

Philatelic Passports

To add enjoyment and graphically validate the visiting of historic sites, the Postal Service has issued bicentennial philatelic passports. These passports contain maps of heritage sites and pages upon which unused U. S. postage stamps can be affixed. Hand cancellations are available at all post offices to validate the passport holder's visit.

Lock Boxes

Late in 1974 the Postal Service began receiving requests for local lock boxes designated by the numbers 1776 and 1976. The Postal Service has set aside those boxes not already in use for official bicentennial groups approved by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

Junior Committees of Correspondence

Celebrating both the country's and the Postal Service's 200th anniversary in the mode of the revolutionary days, the Junior Committees of Correspondence came into being through the sponsorship of the Postal Service, the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration and the National Association of Elementary School Principals. Over 5 million students participated last school year in this project designed to encourage children, grades 3 to 6, to become involved in bicentennial activities and to share these experiences with similarly inclined children through correspondence. During the 1976-77 school year over 12 million students from elementary through junior high school will participate in this program.

Commemorative Stamps

Since 1971, stamps commemorating the bicentennial have been issued, such as: Bicentennial symbol; Colonial Craftsmen; Rise of the Spirit of Independence Series (Pamphleteer, Posting a Broadside, Post Rider and Colonial Drummer); First Continental Congress; Boston Tea Party; Contributors to the Cause Series (Sybil Ludington, Peter Francisco, Haym Salomon, and Salem Poor); Lexington and Concord; Bunker Hill and Military Services Bicentennial (July 4, 1975). In celebrating its own beginning the Postal Service has issued a set of four stamps commemorating its 200th anniversary.

Fund Raising

The Postal Service is involved in helping bicentennial communities raise funds for bicentennial related projects. This is done through the sale of specially designed philatelic and philatelically related products. One product is a memorabilia collection consisting of three prints suitable for framing and a philatelic passport. The second product is a stamp album. This album contains bicentennial (both U. S. and foreign) commemorative stamps and is entitled "The Stories of the American Revolution". These products are being sold through approved bicentennial groups only.

Exhibits

The Bicentennial Branch of the U. S. Postal Service has an exhibit which is used at various conventions. This booth is designed to inform people of the Postal Service's involvement in the bicentennial.

Employee Awards

The Postal Service has established an employee system to inspire participation in our nation's bicentennial. In order to qualify, the employee must give voluntary service to his local bicentennial community organization. Our goal is to award 10,000 employees for their participation.

Book

A history of the Postal Service from pre-colonial times to the present has recently been compiled. In illustrated paperback form, "Appointed Rounds" is tentatively scheduled to be published in the fall of 1975.

Film

This half-hour film ---Nine Letters--- is a unique history of the country and the postal service as told through letters concerning: Clyde Barrow, Benjamin Franklin, Dolly Madison, a runaway slave and the freedom train, Mark Twain, Thomas Edison, Louis Armstrong, General George Patton, and a Navajo girl away at school. There will be two dramatized versions: One for television and the other for general audience distribution. The general version promotes stamp collecting as a way of discovering our nation's history. Film is scheduled to be released in September when the Postal Service celebrates its bicentennial.

Cape Canaveral Exhibition

The Postal Service is currently working with NASA to determine the nature and extent of the Service's involvement.



October 20, 1975

FOREIGN PARTICIPATION IN THE BICENTENNIAL

There has been a remarkable degree of interest shown by foreign governments, the private sector abroad and individuals abroad in our Bicentennial. This has been manifested in foreign programs, some of which may be of only passing interest, but many of which will significantly contribute to the strengthening of ties between this country and foreign nations all around the globe.

Foreign Government Participation

At least 60 countries and 4 territories have Bicentennial programs ranging from major projects by leading foreign nations to the issuance of stamps. There is attached a recent compilation of foreign participation broken down by country.

A recent estimate of the cost of foreign government participation in the Bicentennial produced a figure of \$16,700,000. This figure does not include all foreign participation, for example, the SITES (Smithsonian's Traveling Exhibition Service) exhibits program, which is estimated at \$500,000 and most of the participation in the Smithsonian's Folklife Festival, which amounts to about one million dollars for 1976. It is impossible to estimate the participation of the Soviet Union, for example, which considers the Bolshoi Ballet and Opera and the Hermitage exhibit as a part of their Bicentennial program.

Foreign Bicentennial Committees

There are 28 foreign Bicentennial committees or working groups abroad. These range from official Bicentennial committees such as exist in France and the U.K. to inter-agency and other working groups in countries such as Canada and Finland.

Overseas Bicentennial Projects

There are 30 recognized overseas Bicentennial programs now in existence ranging from the Australian-American Association's Bicentennial Festival of Sydney (first overseas program recognized), scheduled for March and April of 1976 to the American Folk Art exhibit from the Hemphill Collection sponsored by the Asahi Shimbun, a Tokyo newspaper. A list of recognized programs is attached.

Other Overseas Bicentennial Programs

In a number of foreign centers there are important Bicentennial programs scheduled. Examples are as follows:

U.K. (London) - "1776" (The British Side of the Story), an important exhibit sponsored by the Sunday Times, opening at the Royal Maritime Museum in Greenwich on April 15, 1976.

"2,000 Years of North American Indian Art", sponsored by the Arts Council of Great Britain (perhaps the most prestigious Indian art exhibit to date) opening at the Hayward Gallery on October 15, 1976.

Germany - There are 3,000 Bicentennial programs scheduled within Germany during 1976.

Canada - The Calgary Stampede - largest rodeo in the world, will have a Bicentennial theme.

Japan - Exhibition of Armand Hammer Collection of Western Art

Iran - Paintings from the Museum of Modern Art sponsored by the Empress

Finland - American Studies Chair at the University of Helsinki

Visits by Heads of State

There are only two State visits planned for 1976, which have a Bicentennial aspect, namely, the visit of the President of France in May of 1976 and that of Queen Elizabeth in July of 1976. A relatively small number of other Heads of State plan to visit the U.S. in 1975 and 1976 at the invitation of local communities and organizations. They include the King of Norway, the King of Sweden and the Queen of Denmark.

People to People Programs

There are innumerable people-to-people programs, such as Sister Cities, Partners of the Americas (focused on Latin America), Home Hospitality Programs, Student Exchange Programs, etc. As a demonstration of foreign interest in their programs the Sister Cities' annual meeting in August in Rochester, New York, attracted 100 foreign participants from all over the world, and the annual meeting of the Partners of the Americas in Albuquerque in November of 1975 will have participants from 7 Latin American countries.

State and USIA Programs Overseas

The State Department and the United States Information Agency are playing an important role in the Bicentennial overseas. For example, State and USIA are cooperating in a series of American Studies meetings which culminate in a meeting in Washington in September, 1976. In addition to its numerous local Bicentennial programs in every country, USIA has supported the Franklin-Jefferson exhibition in the three cities (Paris, Warsaw and London), where it was presented with a series of lectures, seminars and other activities.

Attachments:

1. List of Foreign Participation;
2. List of Recognized Overseas Bicentennial Projects

International Section, ARBA

October 20, 1975

FOREIGN PARTICIPATION

ARGENTINA

Will participate in Operation Sail 1976.

SITES is handling an exhibit of "Silverworks from the Rio de la Plata", 18th and 19th century silver objects.

AUSTRALIA

Formed a 25-member high-level Australian Bicentennial Committee.

Bicentennial program includes a chair at Harvard University; an exchange program for other than academics; a tour of nine or ten U.S. cities by the Australian Youth Orchestra; and four major exhibits - one handled by SITES - on the exploration of Australia and its parallels to the discovery of the U.S. The remaining three are on the history of Australian/American relations; aboriginal art and crafts and Australian contemporary art. An exchange of youth groups between the Julliard School in New York and the Jane Street Players of Australia will take place.

In Australia, The Australian-American Association of Sydney, which was the first binational overseas organization with a Bicentennial recognized program, has a Bicentennial program planned for March and April of 1976. Vice President Rockefeller has been invited to attend.

The Adelaide Festival in 1976 will have the Bicentennial as its theme.

The Australian Schools Soccer Federation plans to bring an American National Soccer Team to Australia in 1976. They also plan an essay contest among Australian school children with a free trip to the U.S. for the winners.

A design competition for a memorial to Walter Burley Griffin, American city planner, whose design for the city of Canberra is still being followed, is being held.

AUSTRIA

Has established an Austro-American Bicentennial Working Committee for internal Bicentennial planning.

The Vienna Symphony will tour the U.S. during 1976.

In Austria, the Austrian International Children's Village has received official ARBA recognition.



The Vienna Philharmonic, conducted by Leonard Bernstein, will perform in Vienna during 1976, as will the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Exhibits of paintings, graphics, etc. by American artists; radio, TV and film programs on American history, music, and culture, including Alistair Cook's "America" series, will be shown. American theatrical productions and concerts featuring American music will take place. Among these, will be a revival of "Porgy and Bess" and a production of "My Fair Lady."

BAHAMAS

Bahamian-American Bicentennial Association, a binational organization, has an ARBA recognized Bicentennial Educational Program.

BARBADOS

Issuing two commemorative stamps for the Bicentennial.

BELGIUM

Will loan drawings and engravings from 16th and 17th century Antwerp for SITES exhibit in 1976. Also being handled by SITES, is an exhibition of the Belgian firearms industry.

The Maurice Bejart Dance Company will tour the U.S. during 1976.

Will participate in Operation Sail 1976.

Plan to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

The Antwerp International School has won ARBA recognition for its American Bicentennial Hall, and the 1975 Flanders Festival had an ARBA recognized project also.

In Belgium, the Belgo-American Association Festival will take place during March and April 1976. Aaron Copeland is scheduled to appear and also associated with the Festival is an exhibit of modern American art from Belgian collectors; a French-language TV documentary on U.S. history; and publication of a series of Bicentennial monographs.

The Brussels-based Pan-European Union is issuing medals bearing the likenesses of Europeans who participated significantly in American Revolutionary era events.

BULGARIA

Is loaning approximately 500 objects of gold, bronze and ceramics to SITES for the "Thracian Art Treasures" exhibition.

CANADA

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau visited the U.S. during October 1975.

Canada formally established an Intergovernmental Committee.

Canadian Festival of the Performing Arts is bringing renowned Canadian artists to the Kennedy Center and the National Theater in the fall of 1975.

Will participate in Operation Sail 1976.

Exhibits of photographs of Canada's unique landscapes and hand-work will be shown along with arts and crafts. There will also be shows at two local art galleries.

An International Peace Garden, with an International Music Campsite, will be located on U.S.-Canadian border. (The U.S. side will be in North Dakota.)

A chair for Canadian studies will be established at Johns Hopkins University, and a fellowship program for a visiting professor of Canadian studies is being established at Yale.

Athletic events in the U.S. expect to have participation by athletes from the Montreal Summer Olympics.

In Canada, the National Film Board is preparing a publication on our shared border and topography.

Research on the Loyalist Papers is being carried on through the University of New Brunswick in cooperation with Great Britain and the United States.

A TV documentary on the U.S. will be shown.

CHILE

A binational organization in Chile - the Chilean-American Cultural Institute - has received ARBA official recognition for its program of Bicentennial cultural events. Chile will also participate in Operation Sail.

COLUMBIA

Will participate in Operation Sail 1976.

COSTA RICA

Costa Rica's binational organization, Centro-Cultural Costarricense-Norteamericano, has received ARBA official recognition for its Bicentennial program, "The USA Through its Music and Dance."

CYPRUS

Formally established Cyprus Interdepartmental Committee.

"Art Treasures of Cyprus", a SITES exhibit, will show objects from 6000 BC to the present.

CZECHOSLAVAKIA

Tabor Program in Tabor, South Dakota, to host visiting Czech band. Also, there will be an exhibition of Czech music boxes at the Renwick Gallery in 1976.

DAHOMAY

Have been invited to participate in Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

DENMARK

Her Majesty Queen Margrethe II scheduled to visit U.S. in May 1976.

Formed a national committee under chairmanship of President of Parliament. Will participate in Operation Sail 1976 and will send participants to the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976. Will issue commemorative stamps and will also publish a complimentary booklet giving Danish reaction to the Declaration of Independence.

Exhibit at the National Portrait Gallery of the works of Danish artist Christian Gullager in May 1976. Royal Danish Ballet will perform at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. and in New York City in May 1976.

An exhibition on "Shaker Influence in Danish Furniture Design" is being handled by SITES.

The annual July 4 celebration usually held at Rebild National Park in Denmark will be held in cities in the U.S. in 1976 instead of the traditional site.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Has been invited to participate in Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

ECUADOR

The Bicentennial Committee of Quito, a binational organization, has a program of Bicentennial cultural events which has received ARBA official recognition.

EGYPT

Has been invited to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

FINLAND

Established an Intergovernmental Committee which includes representatives of the League of Finnish-American Societies. Suomi College is coordinating activities in the U.S.

Participating in the Smithsonian's "International Salute to the States" with an exhibit of "Rya Rugs" from 18th century to the present, and with an exhibit of "Finnish Icons."

Helsinki Radio Orchestra to perform in U.S. in 1976.

Participating in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

Issuing commemorative stamps.

The Institute of Migration, University of Turku, has received official ARBA recognition for their publication on early Finnish immigration to the U.S.

Reassembling of German and Finnish 19th century log homes at Old World Wisconsin Outdoor Ethnic Museum in Eagle, Wisconsin.

In Finland, American studies chair to be established at the University of Helsinki.

Leading Finnish film maker doing film on Finnish communities in U.S.

Series of "America Days" in cooperation with League of Finnish-American Societies to be observed.

FRANCE

French President Giscard d'Estaing plans to visit the U.S. in May 1976.

Formally announced a permanent French Bicentennial Committee.

Announced a major Bicentennial project -- the contribution of a French Sound and Light Spectacle for Mount Vernon.

Paris Opera will perform in New York City and at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. in September 1976. Other performing arts groups appearing in the U.S. will include the Theatre National Populaire, Orchestra de Paris, the National Radio Orchestra of Paris, the Roland Petit Ballet and Musique Vivante, an avant-garde musical group. The Band of the Garde Republicaine performed in the U.S. during 1975.

The French National Archives is cooperating with Cornell University to collect and publish the Lafayette Papers.

There are plans for publication of a commemorative volume on the role of France in the American Revolution.

The City of Paris is placing a statue of de Grasse in Norfolk in 1976.

A replica of the statue of Lafayette which stands in Le Puy, France, has been erected on the campus of La Grange College, La Grange, Georgia, and will be dedicated in 1976.

Rhode Island hopes to renew its ties with the French by commemorating Rochambeau Day.

The City of Mobile plans to hire a French architect to help with restoration of Fort Conde, a Revolutionary War site.

The Rochambeau family portraits are to be loaned to the Yorktown Victory Center for 1976. Also, the portraits of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette which used to hang in Independence Hall are to be replaced.

The French Chapter of the Society of the Cincinnati, in cooperation with the Virginia Bicentennial Commission and the Virginia State Highway Department, plan to mark the route between Yorktown and Mount Vernon.

Announcement of additional programs is scheduled for late October or early November 1975.

In France, American performing artists appearing during the Bicentennial will include the New York Philharmonic, Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum, New York City Ballet, and the Boston Symphony Orchestra. In addition, many exhibits having a Bicentennial theme are being shown in France, the Nice Carnival is taking "The American Revolution" as its theme for 1976, a commemorative stamp is being designed by the French Post Office, and books, films and lectures are being prepared for the Bicentennial year.

THE GAMBIA

The Government of The Gambia has received ARBA Certificate of Appreciation for its commemorative stamp issue.

GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Has loaned approximately 100 items, including original manuscripts of Bach, Beethoven, Mozart, Haydn, Schubert and others from German State Library in East Berlin for SITES exhibit.

GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF

Formally established two Bicentennial Coordinators -- one for Government activities and one for states, communities and the private sector. The Berlin Senate has created a Bicentennial Working Group.

Four specific projects of the German Government have been announced including establishment of the John J. McCloy Foundation for German-American exchange under auspices of the American Council on Germany; permanent endowment of the "Theodor Heuss Chair" at the Graduate School of Political and Social Science at the New School of Social Research in New York; establishment of a chair for a visiting professor at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.; and contribution of a sophisticated planetarium-projector at the "Einstein Spacearium" in the Smithsonian's new Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C.

Cultural contributions will include performances in the U.S. by the Berlin Opera, Berlin Philharmonic and the Dusseldorf Opera. Germany will participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival.

In addition, Germany plans to issue a commemorative stamp, will participate in Operation Sail 1976, and plans an exhibit and a publication on German immigration to the U.S. There will also be a documentary film about Carl Schurz, an immigrant supporter of Lincoln and a U.S. Senator from Missouri.

The German Saengerbund will perform in Philadelphia in 1976. All East Coast German choirs will participate.

The German Air Force is co-sponsoring (with the University of Texas) an art exhibit by well-known German artists for the City of El Paso, Texas.

There will be a Bicentennial essay contest for high school students in Germany and the U.S.

In Germany, the Steuben-Schurz Society is sponsoring a Bicentennial convocation at St. Paul's Cathedral in Frankfurt in the spring of 1976.

Two TV documentaries are planned, one on the American Indian and the other on the American cowboy.

The Dusseldorf Academy has a Bicentennial exhibit - "The Dusseldorf Academy and the Americans" which has been granted ARBA official recognition.

The Cleveland Orchestra, with the support of the City of Bonn and the Berlin Cultural Festival, presented concerts in Berlin and Bonn in September 1975.

The New York Philharmonic performed in six German cities in 1975 and plans to perform in four cities in 1976.

The Boston Symphony's concerts in Germany are scheduled for March 1976.

USIS, Germany reports that over 3,000 Bicentennial activities are planned on State and local levels.

GHANA

Participated in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1975 and toured a number of U.S. cities. Has been invited to participate again in 1976 as part of the African Diaspora.

GREAT BRITAIN, NORTHERN IRELAND AND SCOTLAND

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II plans to visit the U.S. in July of 1976.

Formally established British Bicentennial Liaison Committee which includes a cross section of distinguished members of British society. The Committee has a permanent two-man secretariat headed by a former Ambassador.

The Northern Ireland Bicentennial Liaison Committee in Ulster received ARBA recognition for its Northern Ireland Camphill Folk Park Project.

Scotland and Wales have each formed Bicentennial Committees.

One of the two original 1215 copies of the Magna Carta, from the British Library, will be on loan and displayed in the Capitol. After the Bicentennial, it will be replaced by a specially made replica.

Another major contribution from Britain will be a program of fellowships in the creative and performing arts.

A replica of the Liberty Bell, cast by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry in London, will be a gift to the American people from the people of Britain. It will hang in the new Bell Tower at the Orientation Center which is under construction at Independence National Historical Park in Philadelphia.

The Royal Ballet, London Philharmonic, London Symphony Orchestra, and Grimethorpe Colliery Band are all scheduled to perform in the U.S. during the Bicentennial.

The British Government has given a grant to a British researcher to assist the Virginia Bicentennial Commission in the development of an exhibit planned for the new Victory Center in Yorktown.

The British are participating with the United States and Canada in assembling and publishing the Loyalist Papers.

The British will have several entries in Operation Sail 1976.

In Great Britain, the London Times is going to hold an exhibition called "1776 - The British Fight for America" at the National Maritime Museum.

The Pennsylvania Academy of Art has an exhibition of fine American paintings at the American Embassy. The exhibition will also be shown at the Edinburgh Festival.

In cooperation with Yale University, an exhibition of 18th century silver and furniture will be at the Victoria and Albert Museum during 1976.

"2000 Years of American Indian Art" is to be on exhibit at the Hayward Gallery in London in 1976.

In a ceremony in May 1975, Lord Antrim, Chairman of the National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty in London, turned over a symbolic "title deed" to Washington Old Hall, the Washington family residence from 1183 to 1613, to Mr. John W. Warner, acting on behalf of the American people. The lease, which will entail no obligation other than a "peppercorn" rent of five pence a year (about ten cents) - if demanded - will run for 21 years. Americans, upon showing a passport, will be granted free entry to Washington Old Hall.

Exhibitions of Americana are circulating throughout the U.K. and have appeared in a great variety of locations, including the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Royal Scottish Museum (Edinburgh), the Bristol Art Gallery and the American Embassies in London and Dublin.

Various festivals taking place in the U.K. are featuring American participation. Edinburgh Festival, for example, invited the New York Philharmonic Orchestra in 1975 and the National Symphony Orchestra in 1976. American drama companies, exhibitions and participation in the military tattoo will be included.

The Isle of Man is issuing four stamps during the Bicentennial commemorating Manx participation in the American Revolution.

The Jersey Isles is issuing four commemorative stamps honoring New Jersey, Virginia, New York and Massachusetts.

St. Vincent's has organized a committee to work on Bicentennial projects.

GREECE

Participated in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1974, as well as toured seven cities giving performances in each. Greek performing artists will also participate in the Folklife Festival in 1976.

GRENADA

Issuing 10 Bicentennial commemorative stamps.

HAITI

Will mint two Bicentennial gold coins commemorating the Battle of Savannah in which Haitian troops took part. The Mayor of Savannah has invited the President of Haiti to visit Savannah in 1976 where a statue of General Henri Christophe, the founder of the Haitian Republic, is to be erected.

ICELAND

Formed an Ad Hoc Government Committee for Bicentennial matters.

Iceland is sending performing artists to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

INDIA

Will issue a commemorative stamp for the Bicentennial.

India will send performing artists to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

IRAN

The Bicentennial Committee in Iran has as its Honorary Chairperson, Her Majesty the Queen.

Has established a Bicentennial Scholarship Program to assist American students studying in Iran.

Has loaned 300 locks of steel, bronze, gold and silver inlay for SITES exhibition "Persian Locks."

ISRAEL

Formed an Interdepartmental Committee for Bicentennial planning.

The Israeli Philharmonic will give concerts in several major American cities in 1976.

A Bicentennial gold coin will be minted to commemorate our 200th Anniversary.

Israel will participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976, and is participating in the Sister Cities Exchange Program.

In Israel, the Jewish National Fund is sponsoring an American Bicentennial National Park, which will be the site of memorials and exhibits commemorating American-Israeli friendship. This program has received ARBA recognition.

ITALY

Formed an Italian Commission for the Bicentennial (Intergovernmental Committee).

There is a Bicentennial of American Independence 1776-1976 Committee of Italy which has received ARBA official recognition for its overseas Bicentennial project.

La Scala Opera is scheduled to perform at the Kennedy Center in the fall of 1976, and the La Scala Choral Concert will also perform there as well as in New York.

Participating in the "Through the Eyes of Jefferson" exhibit at the National Gallery of Art.

Sending the Palladio Exhibit to Charlottesville, Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia in 1976.

Will participate in an exhibit of 18th century paintings planned for the Cleveland Museum and the National Gallery.

Will participate in Operation Sail 1976.

The Italian Historical Society of America is preparing a book on the history of Italians in the U.S.

Will loan the Venus de Medici for exhibition at the National Gallery.

ARBA recognition has been granted to the Seminar on American Civilization by the Italo-American Association of Trieste, Italy.

JAMAICA

Jamaica has been invited to send performing artists to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

JAPAN

There is a Bicentennial Working Group.

Japanese organizations whose programs have received ARBA official recognition are: the Japanese Association for American Studies; Asahi Shimbun; Yomiuri Shimbun; Tokyo Shimbun (Japanese newspapers); the America-Japan Society; and the National Museum of Modern Art.

Japan is contributing a new 500 seat theater on the top floor of the Kennedy Center, and a grove of cherry trees for the West Coast.

The Nippon Bonsai Association is making a gift of 53 valuable Bonsai trees to the American people. The dedication ceremony will take place at the National Arboretum in 1976.

Japan will participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

A martial arts group plans to tour the U.S. in 1976.

KOREA

Plans to present a traditional bronze Korean bell and belfry to either Federal or a city government.

A Korean dance troupe plans to visit the U.S. in 1976.

LEBANON

Has formed an Intergovernmental Committee for Bicentennial planning.

A group of overseas Lebanese plan to present six statues representing Cadmus, the inventor of the alphabet, for display in the Capitol.

LIBERIA

Plans to issue a commemorative stamp for the Bicentennial.

Has been invited to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976 as part of the African Diaspora.

LUXEMBOURG

Has formed an Ad Hoc Committee for Bicentennial planning.

Will participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

Two internationally renowned performing artists, a concert pianist and an opera singer, will tour the U.S. during 1976.

MALAYSIA

Plans to film a series of programs on the U.S. for showing in Malaysia.

MEXICO

The Mexico-U.S. Bicentennial Coordinating Committee, a binational organization, has received ARBA official recognition for its Bicentennial cultural events program.

There is close cooperation between the U.S. and Mexico on a re-enactment of the 1775 expedition of Juan Bautista de Anza.

Mexico has been invited to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

Mexican performing artists have been participating in local international festivals in the U.S. for several years.

The State of Mexico Symphony Orchestra made a U.S. tour in 1975 under the patronage of the Mexican Government.

U.S.-Mexican Institute of the Future was established in Tucson by the State of Arizona. It involves U.S. and Mexican citizens working together to improve the quality of life. The Institute will also promote and encourage cultural exchange programs.

International Charriada Races, with support of Mexican Government, to take place in Pueblo, Colorado, May 1976.

THE NETHERLANDS

Formed the Netherlands Bicentennial Committee (an Intergovernmental Committee).

The Visit America Foundation, an overseas organization, has been officially recognized by ARBA for its program called Visit America, which encourages its countryment to visit the U.S. Also having ARBA recognized programs are the Netherlands America Institute and the Tourist Information Office of Katwijk.

Participating in the Smithsonian's "International Salute to the States" through an exhibit loan entitled "The Dutch Republic in the Days of John Adams - 1775-1795."

The Amsterdam Concertgebouw Orchestra is scheduled for a tour of the U.S. during 1976.

The Netherlands will participate in Operation Sail and the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

A private sector gift of 1 million tulip bulbs is being given several major U.S. cities.

In the Netherlands, two major exhibits are planned at the Municipal Museum in The Hague, one on Frontier America and the other on American Artists of the 30's.

The theme of the 1976 Holland Festival will be the American Bicentennial. The program will highlight American music and theater, starting with the opening concert by the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Leonard Bernstein. The program will further include performances by the Yale University Band, Boston Musica Viva, La Mama ETC, Yale Repertory Theatre and Pittsburgh Living Theatre.

The Wayne State University Men's Glee Club and Chamber Singers will appear at Singer Museum, Laren in June 1976. There will be an essay contest, a photo exhibit, a study trip to the U.S. by a group of students from the History Department of the University of Amsterdam, an American history seminar, a book exhibit and a USA stamp exhibit.

Surinam plans to issue a commemorative stamp and has been asked to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

Netherlands-Antilles has formed a Bicentennial Committee and the program of the St. Eustatius Bicentennial Commission has received ARBA recognition.

NEW ZEALAND

Formed an Interdepartmental Standing Committee for Bicentennial planning.

Will present a whaling industry exhibit of scrimshaw.

NICARAGUA

Nicaragua was the first nation to honor our Bicentennial by issuing a set of 13 commemorative stamps. They are also minting two gold coins.

NIGER

Plans to issue a commemorative stamp.

NIGERIA

Participated in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1974 and has been invited to do so again in 1976.

NORWAY

While the focus of activity is on Norway's Sesquicentennial in 1975, many of the activities also show their interest in our 200th Anniversary.

His Majesty King Olaf V is visiting the U.S. in connection with the Sesquicentennial-Bicentennial celebration. Among the activities taking place was a special show at Carnegie Hall at which the Radio Orchestra of Oslo performed.

Norway formed an Intergovernmental Committee, which includes representation from the Norseman's Association.

The Lions Clubs of Norway and Colorado received an ARBA Certificate of Appreciation for their Race for Light project, an event involving sighted and blind skiers. This event will be repeated in February 1976.

Norway will participate in Operation Sail 1976 and the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

An exhibition handled by SITES of "Edvard Munch, the Major Graphics" will begin circulation in January 1976.

In Norway, there have been numerous events commemorating Norwegian immigration to the United States.

A nation-wide essay competition will be held. The winners will get a free trip to the U.S.

The New England Conservatory Jazz Ensemble and the University of Atlanta drama group were invited to participate in the Bergen Festival in May 1975.

PAKISTAN

Pakistan has been invited to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

The Bicentennial Theater project of the Pakistan American Cultural Center has received ARBA official recognition.

THE PHILIPPINES

The Philippines has formed a Bicentennial Committee.

POLAND

Poland is sending performing artists for the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976 and is participating in Operation Sail 1976.

The Kosciuszko Foundation is planning documentary films on the history of Poles in America.

The Lyric Opera of Chicago has commissioned internationally famed Polish composer Krzyszto Penderecki to create a new opera for the company to produce in 1976.

In Poland, five commemorative stamps are being issued.

The American section of the Polish Academy plans an international symposium on subjects relating to the American Revolution.

PORTUGAL

Portugal will participate in Operation Sail 1976.

The Luso-American Educational Commission (Portuguese Fulbright Commission) plans a project involving research of documentation in Portuguese archives related to American Independence period and subsequent publications of this work.

ROMANIA

Romania has been invited to send performing artists to the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

Romania is issuing a commemorative stamp.

SENEGAL

Senegal has been invited to send performing artists to the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976 as part of the African Diaspora.

SPAIN

A Spanish National Commission has been formed with H.R.H. Prince Juan Carlos as Honorary President.

Spain will participate in Operation Sail 1976 and the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

Will publish a research catalogue on Spanish and American independence involving the era from 1750 to 1825.

Will publish a book of essays on the influence of the American Revolution on Spanish thought.

A series of lectures on the U.S. Constitution with visiting American authorities is planned.

There will be a publication involving documents from the Spanish Archives on the Colonial and Revolutionary periods.

SRI LANKA

An Ad Hoc Committee has been formed.

SWAZILAND

The King of Swaziland has approved a visit of Sibhaca dancers to Philadelphia in July 1976.

SWEDEN

An informal Ad Hoc Committee, including nongovernment representation, has been formed.

His Majesty King Carl XVI Gustaf will visit the U.S. in April of 1976.

Sweden will participate in Operation Sail 1976 and the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

The Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra and the Swedish Radio Choir are scheduled for performances in the U.S. during the winter of 1975.

An exhibition on emigration organized by the Emigration Institute in Vaxjo, Sweden, in cooperation with the Swedish Institute in Stockholm, will be shown on tour in the U.S. in 1976 under the Smithsonian's traveling exhibit program called "International Salute to the States."

A publication entitled "The Swedish Heritage in America" by Allan Kastrup has been published in 1975.

The Swedish "Free Theater" will visit San Francisco and Los Angeles during the Bicentennial.

A chair at an American university in the field of Swedish expertise, the environment, etc., will be endowed.

SWITZERLAND

The Spuhler Committee is responsible for handling Bicentennial activities.

There will be an exhibition on prominent Swiss figures in American history and a "Toys Through the Ages" exhibit. Also, an exhibit of Swiss painters (18th and 19th century) on Middle America and the American Indians. A book on this last exhibit to be published by the University of Illinois.

A transportation exhibit to be handled by the Association of U.S. Science and Technology Centers is being presented by the Transport Museum in Luzern.

A publication on Swiss immigrants, illustrated by an American professor at the University of Illinois is scheduled for release during the Bicentennial.

Performing groups to visit the U.S. during the Bicentennial period are: the Corps de Musique d'Elite de Geneve; the Corps de Musique "La Landwehr" of Fribourg; the Musique Municipale de la Ville de Geneve; and the Kleinbasler Drummers and Fifers.

THAILAND

There is a Government Committee for Bicentennial planning.

A classical Thai dance troupe plans to visit selected U.S. cities on the East Coast during 1976.

TRINIDAD-TOBAGO

Performing artists have been invited to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

TRUCIAL STATES

Fujeira, Manama and Ajman will issue commemorative stamps.

TUNISIA

An exhibition of "Tunisian Mosaics" consisting of 200 mosaics will be handled by SITES - scheduled for spring of 1976.

U.S.S.R.

Paintings from the Hermitage Museum were shown at the National Gallery of Art in 1975.

The Bolshoi Opera performed at the Kennedy Center in 1975.

The U.S.S.R. may participate in Operation Sail in 1976.

There are plans to increase Sister City relationships, the most recent of which was Odessa and Baltimore.

UPPER VOLTA

Upper Volta plans to issue a commemorative stamp.

YUGOSLAVIA

There is an Interdepartmental Committee for Bicentennial planning.

Yugoslavia has been invited to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

A program of cultural participation has been planned. Among the events will be a tour of U.S. cities by the Slovenian Philharmonic Orchestra in 1976; a tour of the Dubrovnik Drama Ensemble with the play "Kristofer Kolumbo" by Miroslav Krleza; and tours of other performing arts groups.

An exhibition of Yugoslav contemporary art will be shown at the Guggenheim Museum, and there will be exhibits of naive art, graphics and books.

ZAIRE

Zaire has been invited to participate in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in 1976.

RECOGNITION OF BICENTENNIAL PROJECTS
OF ORGANIZATIONS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

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<u>Sponsoring Organization</u>	<u>Project Title</u>
1. Australian-American Assoc. (Sydney)	Australian-American Festival, 1976
2. Visit America Foundation (Netherlands)	Visit America
3. Dusseldorf Academy (FRG)	Bicentennial Exhibit - The Dusseldorf Academy and the Americans
4. Japanese Assoc. for American Studies	Asia and Pacific Regional Conf. of American Studies Specialists
5. Northern Ireland Bicentennial Liaison Committee (Ulster)	Northern Ireland Camphill Folk Park Project
6. Centro Cultural Costarricense-Norteamericano	The USA through its Music and Dance
7. Asahi Shimbun (Tokyo Newspaper)	American Folk Art from the Hemphill Collection
8. Netherlands American Institute	Bicentennial Cultural and Educational Projects
9. Bahamian-American Bicentennial Association	Bicentennial Educational Program
10. Yomiuri Shimbun	Exhibition of Hammer Collection of Western Art
11. Chilean-American Cultural Institute	Bicentennial Cultural Events
12. Bicentennial Committee of Quito	Bicentennial Cultural Events
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14. Bicentennial of American Independence 1776-1976 Committee of Italy	Overseas Bicentennial Project
15. Pakistan American Cultural Center	Bicentennial Theater Project

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16. Tokyo Shimbun	"Opening of America's Old West" Exhibition
17. National Museum of Modern Art, Okazaki, Sakyuo-ku, Kyoto, Japan	American Quilts Exhibition
18. 1975 Flanders Festival in Belgium	The American Bicentennial Project of the 1975 Flanders Festival
19. American-Japan Society	Japanese Guidebook to American Bicentennial
20. " " "	Newspaper Supplement "Japan Salutes America on Bicentennial"
21. The Institute of Migration, University of Turku, Finland	A Bicentennial Ethnic Publication of the Institute of Migration, University of Turku, Finland
22. St. Eustatius Bicentennial Commission of the American Revolution	The Bicentennial Projects of the St. Eustatius Bicentennial Commission of the American Revolution
23. American Women's Club - Geneva	Bicentennial Year in Geneva of the American Women's Club - Geneva
24. Boys' Club of Ottawa, Ontario	Bicentennial International Youth Conference of the Boys' Club of Ottawa, Ontario
25. Tourist Information Office, Katwijk	Tulip Time International Music Festival of the Tourist Information Office, Katwijk
26. The American Women's Club of Luxembourg	The Bicentennial Project of The American Women's Club of Luxembourg
27. Antwerp International School	The American Bicentennial Hall - Antwerp, Belgium
28. Italo-American Association of Trieste, Italy	Seminar on American Civilization



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29. American Women's Club of Brasilia, Brazil	Bicentennial Programs
30. West Frisian Flora at Bovenkarspel, North Holland, the Netherlands	"200 Years America"
31. Austrian International SOS Kinder- dorf	SOS Bicentennial Project

Certificate of Appreciation

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| 1. Lions Clubs of Norway and
Colorado | Race for Light. |
| 2. Government of The Gambia | (Stamp Issue) |
| 3. British Bicentennial Liaison
Committee | |

THE WHITE HOUSE

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February 20, 1976

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February 23, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: JACK MARSH

FROM: RUSS ROURKE

Jack, in your absence last week I approved the attached letter re our Bicentennial Task Force meeting for this Friday.

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Russ:

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I am working on an updated list of addresses and telephone numbers of all the Task Force members to be given out at the meeting... will send you a copy as soon as it is completed...

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FEDERAL AGENCY BICENTENNIAL

TASK FORCE MEETING

Tuesday, March 2, 1976

4:00 - 5:30 PM

The Roosevelt Room

A G E N D A

1. Opening Remarks: The Honorable John O. Marsh, Jr.
Counsellor to the President

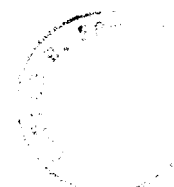
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4. Bicentennial Activities of the Dr. James E. O'Neill
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5. Bicentennial Activities of the Mr. Robert Kingston
National Endowment for the Deputy Chairman
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6. Closing Remarks: The Honorable John O. Marsh, Jr.
Counsellor to the President



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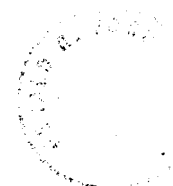
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JULY FOURTH WEEKEND ACTIVITIES
FOR THE
WASHINGTON, D. C. AREA

The following activities planned for the Washington, D. C. area over the July Fourth Weekend represent those of which we are aware. As you will note, some of the programs are still tentative. The Vice President and Mrs. Rockefeller have agreed to co-chair the "Happy Birthday, USA!" programs.

July 2nd: The Congressional Joint Committee on the Bicentennial is working on plans for special commemorative activity. Part of that will be the opening of the 1876 Centennial Safe and the removal of its contents. Final plans are not yet made.

The Corcoran Gallery will be the location for an evening reception for official Washington honoring the States. Capitol Hill, the White House, the Embassies and other national and international leaders will be among the invited guests.

July 3rd: "Happy Birthday, USA!" has assumed the responsibility for the "American Bicentennial Grand Parade" which will take place at Noon. The parade route will start at the U.S. Capitol and proceed down Constitution Avenue to 18th Street, NW. It will consist of military units, massed colors, and possibly floats.

This evening, the American Historic and Cultural Society will conduct it's "Honor America" program at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The program committee is headed by Mr. J. Willard Marriott who has secured the assistance of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and is now working with other performers and performing groups. The President and Mrs. Ford have been invited to participate. Following the gala performance, a reception will be held in the Grand Lobby and adjoining balcony. This will conclude with an aerial fireworks spectacular.

Wolf Trap Farm is also planning a special musical program with the National Symphony.



July 4th: An Interfaith Sunrise Service will be held at the Lincoln Memorial. Throughout the day, at various houses of worship, there will be numerous religious and memorial services.

The National Visitors Center will be opened.
(The time has not yet been determined)

The Smithsonian Air and Space Museum will be opened.
(The time has not yet been determined)

"Happy Birthday, USA!" will conduct The National Pageant of Freedom and The Official Salute to the American Bicentennial. This will take place on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. Indications are that it will receive coverage of all three television networks. The Vice President of the United States will deliver a Bicentennial Address following a program of music including all the key national patriotic anthems and hymns by the Army Band and the Army Choir. Following the Vice President's Address, the band will play the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and that will be followed by an aerial and ground fireworks display.

Other expected activities during the weekend will include:

- Special dinners and receptions.
- Special cultural programs.
- The Smithsonian Folklife Festival on the Mall.
(continuing)
- The Freedom Train will be in the area. (The exact location is not yet known)
- Fireworks and musical presentations at the Sylvan Theater on the nights of July 2, 3 and 5.
- The National Archives plans to display the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution with a special ceremony.
- The National Gallery of Art will have on display, "The Eye of Jefferson".
- The Blackman's Bicentennial Exhibition (Black Artists) is being considered for July 3rd at RFK Stadium.
- A possible John Denver Concert at RFK Stadium on July 4th.

- A possible Jazz Program from 1:00-5:00 PM on July 5th.

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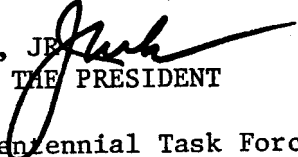
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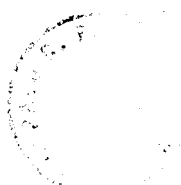
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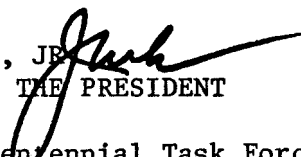
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