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KHAMA AND NIMEIRI MEETINGS

Looking ahead to the President's schedule next week . . . .

The President has invited President Sir Seretse Khama <sup>of Botswana</sup> to call at the White House on June 9 at 11 a.m. President Khama will be in the U.S. following his visit to the United Kingdom.

On Thursday, June 10, the President will meet with President Jaafar Nimeiri (ja-far ni-mar-i) <sup>of Sudan.</sup> President Nimeiri is making a private visit to the United States, including a number of states, and his presence in Washington enables him to meet with the President.

Q: Why is President Ford seeing President Khama? Does this this have anything to do with Secretary Kissinger's recent Africa trip?

A: President Khama will be visiting the United States on a private visit. The United States enjoys close and friendly relations with Botswana, a country in southern Africa making great progress in the development of a multi-racial society. The United States is pledged to helping Botswana with its development, and has the highest regard for the very constructive role President Khama and his Government have been playing in the continuing international effort to find a negotiated solution to the problems of southern Africa.

Q: Why is Nimeiri coming?

A: It is our understanding that President Nimeiri has wanted to visit the US to explore ways for further cooperation between his country and the American private sector. He has an invitation to visit Tennessee from Tennessee's Governor and will also visit a number of other states. State can fill you in on the details of his itinerary in the US and his schedule in Washington