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Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1974

1:45 p.m. Press bus departs Southwest Gate.

2:00 p.m. Press Check-in at Andrews Air Force Base.

2:30 p.m. Press Plane departs Andrews Air Force Base enroute Kent County Airport, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Flying Time: 1 hour 25 minutes No Time Change

2:50 p.m. THE PRESIDENT BOARDS ARMY ONE AND DEPARTS THE SOUTH LAWN ENROUTE ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE.

3:10 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, BOARDS AIR FORCE ONE AND DEPARTS ENROUTE KENT COUNTY AIR-PORT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

Flying Time: 1 hour 25 minutes
No Time Change

3:55 p.m. Press Plane arrives Kent County Airport, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

4:35 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES KENT COUNTY AIRPORT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

THE PRESIDENT IS GREETED BY:

Governor William Milliken (R)

Congressman Richard F. VanderVeen (D-Mich.)

Rev. Lyman Parks, Mayor of Grand Rapids

Mr. Jackson Root, Board Chairman Kent County Commissioners

Mr. Paul Goebel, GOP Congressional Candidate

Mr. Tom Walsh

Dr. and Mrs. James Ford, children Emily and Greg

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ford, children Laurie and Richard, daughter and son-in-law Linda and Ted Burba

Press Facilities:

6 long distance telephones

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4:45 p.m. THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS KENT COUNTY AIRPORT VIA AUTO ENROUTE CALDER PLAZA, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

Driving Time: 20 minutes

Pool and Press buses follow.

5:05 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES CALDER PLAZA (OTTAWA ENTRANCE), GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, IS MET BY PETER SECCHIA, CHAIRMAN OF THE CALDER SALUTE TO THE PRESIDENT, AND PROCEEDS TO PLATFORM.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

Press Facilities:

10 long distance telephones 6 coin telephones 2 mults.

5:10 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES SPEAKERS PLATFORM.

5:12 p.m. Welcoming Remarks by Peter Secchia, Master of Ceremonies, and introduction of Mrs. Althea Bennett, who will present the President with a box of homemade cookies for Mrs. Ford.

5:16 p.m. THE PRESIDENT OFFERS BRIEF REMARKS.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

5:18 p.m. Remarks by Mayor Parks, and introduction of Governor Milliken.

5:23 p.m. Remarks by Governor Milliken, and introduction of the President.

5:25 p.m. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

5:45 p.m. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS CONCLUDE.

5:50 p.m. THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS PLATFORM.

6:00 p.m. THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS CALDER PLAZA VIA AUTO EN-ROUTE HOSPITALITY INN.

Driving Time: 10 minutes

Press Pool follows.

6:05 p.m. Press buses depart Calder Plaza enroute Hospitality Inn.

PRESS NOTE: Filing center is located in cafeteria of William Works Building, adjacent to Hospitality Inn.

Press Facilities:

20 long distance telephones 2 telex

1 mult.

6:10 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES HOSPITALITY INN AND IS MET BY RICHARD COLWELL, HOSPITALITY INN MANAGER.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

6:15 p.m. Press buses arrive Hospitality Inn.

6:20 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES BALLROOM TO ATTEND INFORMAL GOP RECEPTION.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE: In the event the President decides to speak at the reception, his remarks will be piped in to Filing Room. .

7:15 p.m. THE PRESIDENT, ACCOMPANIED BY PAUL GOEBEL, DEPARTS GOP RECEPTION.

7:25 p.m. THE PRESIDENT IS PRESENTED A SHRINE FEZ BY IRVING AND SHIRLEY TALBERT AT PRESIDENTIAL SUITE.

WRITING POOL AND WIRE PHOTO COVERAGE

7:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT MEETS WITH LABOR REPRESENTATIVES AT PRESIDENTIAL SUITE.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

PARTICIPANTS ARE:

Howard Miller, UAW Local President
Gene Suttorp, UAW
Sam Jeluso, UAW
Edna Jourdan, UAW
Eugene Leenheer, UAW
Jim Kelly, Teamsters Local Secretary-Treasurer
Julius Riekstins, Host, Latvian Leader of Friends of Ford

7:40 p.m. Labor Representatives depart Presidential Suite.

7:45 p.m. THE PRESIDENT MEETS WITH CLIFF TAYLOR, GOP 6th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CANDIDATE, AND BOB EASTMAN, GOP 7th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CANDIDATE AT PRESIDENTIAL SUITE.

WRITING POOL AND WIRE PHOTO COVERAGE

7:45 p.m. Press bus departs Hospitality Inn enroute Calvin College Field House.

Driving Time: 5 minutes

PRESS NOTE: The only filing facility at Calvin College will be located behind camera platform. Telex will be located at filing center at William Works Building.

Press Facilities:

10 long distance telephones2 Western Union Runners2 mults.

7:50 p.m. Press bus arrives Calvin College Field House.

7:50 p.m. Rally at Calvin College Field House begins.

8:22 p.m. THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS HOSPITALITY INN VIA AUTO ENROUTE CALVIN COLLEGE FIELD HOUSE.

Driving Time: 5 minutes

Press Pool follows.

8:27 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES CALVIN COLLEGE FIELD HOUSE AND IS MET BY DR. WILLIAM SPOELHOF, CALVIN COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

8:32 p.m. THE PRESIDENT, ACCOMPANIED BY MR. AND MRS. GOEBEL, PROCEEDS TO PLATFORM.

8:34 p.m. Opening Remarks by Bill Farr, Master of Ceremonies.

8:35 p.m. Remarks by Paul Goebel, and introduction of the President.

8:55 p.m. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

9:15 p.m. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS CONCLUDE.

9:17 p.m. Introduction of Robert Eleveld, Kent County GOP Chairman.

PRESS NOTE: The President accepts a woodcarving of the Presidential seal by Ed Graverson and a painting by Paul Collins, local artists.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

9:25 p.m. THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS PLATFORM.

9:35 p.m. THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS CALVIN COLLEGE VIA AUTO EN-ROUTE KENT COUNTY AIRPORT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

Driving Time: 10 minutes

Press Pool and one bus follows.

9:40 p.m. Press bus departs Calvin College Field House enroute William Works Building.

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9:45 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES KENT COUNTY AIRPORT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

THE PRESIDENT IS GREETED BY:

Mr. Abrian Hoogerheide, Jr., President, Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #97

Mr. Jack Brown, Michigan State FOP Chairman

9:50 p.m. AT PLANESIDE, THE PRESIDENT WILL BE PRESENTED WITH A LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP IN THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #97.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE AT PLANESIDE

9:55 p.m. THE PRESIDENT BOARDS AIR FORCE ONE AND DEPARTS KENT COUNTY AIRPORT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN, ENROUTE ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE.

Flying Time: 1 hour 15 minutes
No Time Change

10:00 p.m. One Press bus departs William Works Building enroute Kent (approx.) County Airport, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Driving Time: 10 minutes

10:15 p.m. Second Press bus departs William Works Building enroute Kent (approx.) County Airport, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Driving Time: 10 minutes

10:10 p.m. First Press bus arrives Kent County Airport, Grand Rapids, (approx.) Michigan.

10:25 p.m. Second Press bus arrives Kent County Airport, Grand Rapids, (approx.) Michigan.

10:30 p.m. Press Plane departs Kent County Airport, Grand Rapids, Michigan, (approx.) enroute Andrews Air Force Base.

Flying Time: 1 hour 15 minutes
No Time Change

11:10 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, BOARDS ARMY ONE, AND DEPARTS ENROUTE THE SOUTH LAWN, THE WHITE HOUSE.

11:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES THE SOUTH LAWN, THE WHITE HOUSE.

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11:55 p.m. Press Plane arrives Andrews Air Force Base. (approx.)

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