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POOL REPORT ON AIR FORCE ONE TO JFK AIRPORT AND MOTORCADE TO YESHIVA OF FLATBUSH

Ford was a few minutes late departing Andrews. I have wheels up at 11:35 a.m.

Flight uneventful. Nessen appeared briefly at the beginning to say that aboard were Richard Cheney, Ron Nessen and Jim Cannon of the staff. Cannon was aboard, Nessen said, as a New Yorker and also to participate in Wednesday's revenue sharing bill-signing in Yonkers.

Also aboard were at least two PFC folks, a young man named Jud Sommer who works the advocate program, and Dick Rosenbaum, PFC chairman for New York State.

Arrival at JFK was approximately on time. Besides the bible-listed personalities, Senator Javits and Rep. Peter Peyser were at the airport to receive him--and perhaps a few others not recognized by pooler.

Motorcade uneventful. Large friendly curious crowds along several miles of Flatbush Avenue, and smaller ones along Avenue J, a residential street.

You saw everything we saw at the speech, except perhaps for two handlettered signs in the front row: "Stop Pay Toilets" and "Toilet Liberation."

> Jim Doyle - Newsweek Robert Gruenberg - Chicago Daily News

At planeside, President was overheard to tell Peyser "the poll is coming out tomorrow -- it's 47 to 45." No further elaboration or explanation. This is apparent reference to PFC source last night who told me that the President is "slightly ahead in NJ, and slightly behind in NY.", but the "margin of error" was too close for definite claims either way.

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