#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

# DINNER IN HONOR OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT AND MRS. AL-SADAT

October 27, 1975 8:00 p.m.

Dress:

Business suit ... long dresses for the ladies

### Arrival:

- 8:00 p.m. ... at North Portico Entrance ... President and Mrs. al-Sadat, Ambassador and Mrs. Catto.
- -- You and Mrs. Ford will greet.
- -- Photo coverage of greeting.

#### Yellow Oval Room:

- -- Vice President and Mrs. Rockefeller; Secretary and Mrs. Kissinger; Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Mrs. Fahmy; American Ambassador and Mrs. Eilts; and Foreign Ambassador and Mrs. Ghorbal will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p.m. arrival of President and Mrs. al-Sadat and Ambassador and Mrs. Catto.
- -- Color Guard will request permission to remove Colors at approximately 8:10 p.m. ... all guests except President and Mrs. al-Sadat will depart at this time.

#### Grand Entrance:

- -- Approximately 8:12 p.m. ... descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard.
- -- Pause at foot of staircase for official photograph (President al-Sadat to your right ... Mrs. al-Sadat to your left ... then Mrs. Ford).

- -- Color Guard reforms and procession moves to red carpet facing East Room ... pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement ... take receiving line positions (President al-Sadat to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. al-Sadat).
- -- Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

# Receiving Line:

- -- Take position just inside door of East Room . . . Ambassador Catto will present your guests.
- -- After receiving line, follow guests into State Dining Room.

# Dinner:

- -- Round tables
- -- The Army Strolling Strings will play during dessert.
- No press coverage of dinner ... toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press ... there will be minicamera coverage of the toasts with a small photo pool.

# <u> After-Dinner:</u>

- -- l0:00 p.m. ... guests proceed to parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. al-Sadat to the Blue Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- -- No press coverage in the Blue Room.
- 10:05 p.m. ... after-dinner guests will be escorted to the State Floor. You, Mrs. Ford, President and Mrs. al-Sadat (President al-Sadat to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. al-Sadat) will receive the after-dinner guests from a position in the Grand Hall between the Blue Room and Green Room doors -- a Military Social Aide will present your guests -- guests will proceed to the East Room and take their seats.

#### Entertainment:

- -- After the guests are seated, you will enter the East Room through the center door and seat Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. al-Sadat.
- You proceed to the stage which will be located at the North End of the East Room and introduce Johnny Cash.

NOTE: Suggested remarks (Tab A).

-- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. al-Sadat to the stage to thank Johnny Cash.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment. Photo and mini-camera coverage will be only of the last part of the program and of your thanking Johnny Cash.

-- After you have thanked Johnny Cash, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. al-Sadat to the Grand Foyer and Blue Room where you will mingle informally with your guests.

NOTE: There will be dancing in the Grand Foyer.

## Departure:

- You, Mrs. Ford, Ambassador and Mrs. Catto escort President and Mrs. al-Sadat to the North Portico.
- -- You and Mrs. Ford may wish to return for dancing or return to the Family Quarters.
- -- There will be champagne, mixed drinks and dancing for the guests who remain.

# NOTES:

- -- The dinner and after-dinner guest lists are attached (Tab B).
- -- A suggested toast is attached (Tab C).
- -- Military Social Aides will be present.
- -- Air Force Harpist will be playing in the Diplomatic Reception Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.
- -- White House photographer will be present.