FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1974

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

President and Mrs. Ford will honor His Excellency Yitzhak Rabin, Prime Minister of Israel and Mrs. Rabin at a black-tie State Dinner on Thursday, September 12, 1974 at 8:00 p.m.

President Ford and Mrs. Ford will welcome their Guests of Honor at the North Portico and escort them to the Yellow Oval Room. Preceded by the Color Guard, the President and Mrs. Ford will escort their honored guests down the Grand Stairway and proceed to the East Room where they will receive their approximately 115 guests. The United States Marine Corps Orchestra will provide background music in the lobby as the guests are being received.

Dinner will be served in the State Dining Room where there will be a Head Table and eleven round tables covered with white organdy over yellow cloths. The Johnson china, vermeil flatwear and Morgantown crystal will be used. Vermeil, three-candle centerpieces with flowers decorate each table. Flowers used in the arrangements include yellow and orange snapdragons, yellow Marguerite daisies, white miniature carnations, white pinocchio pomponiche santhemums and boubardia, yellow and orange zinnias, gaillardia, and babysbreath.

Tonight's menu includes:

Supreme of Halibut Duglere
Fleurons Dorees
Roast Duckling Bigarade
Wild Rice Amandine
Broccoli au Beurre
Tossed Green Salad
Bel Paese Cheese
Peaches Melba
Macaroons

Wines include:

Berncasteler Doctor Louis Martini Cabernet Sauvignon Dom Perignon

During dessert guests will be entertained by the Army Strolling Strings. Following dinner, coffee and liqueurs will be served in the Parlours, after which, guests will adjourn to the East Room and join the approximately 94 afterdinner guests who have been invited to a performance by violinist Eugene Fodor.