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THE WHITE HOUSE  
Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

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Mrs. Ford will visit the Martin King Memorial Library Wednesday, Jan. 14 at 3 p. m. with about 18 Washington-area school children. The visit is in remembrance of the late Dr. King's birthday Jan. 15.

Mrs. Ford and the children will tour the Black Studies division of the library; the Special Services division (for the blind, physically handicapped, institutionalized and homebound); and the Childrens Room.

She will be met at curbside by Dr. Francis Gregory, president of the board of trustees of the Library. Dr. Gregory will escort her to the main lobby of the library, where she will be met by Lola Johnson-Singletary, vice-president of the board of trustees; and Dr. Hardy Franklin, director of the DC Public Library System. Dr. Franklin will give Mrs. Ford a briefing on the library and guide her on her tour.

Mrs. Ford will be accompanied by 18 children of the DC chapter of Jack and Jill of America. Ranging in age from 6-8, the children take part in the programs sponsored by Jack and Jill, a national non-profit service organization whose purpose is to "create a medium of contact for children and provide for them a constructive educational, cultural, civic, recreational and social program." Mrs. Ford served as honorary chairman for the group's Christmas Shop Luncheon to benefit their program.

The Library is the main building of the District of Columbia Public Library System. Located at 901 G Street NW, the building was dedicated in 1972.

Mrs. Ford's visit will precede other observances of Dr. King's birthday at the Library. There will be a special concert and exhibit opening the evening of Mrs. Ford's visit and the city's official celebration and film showings on January 15.

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press note: other identifications - Mrs. Ford will be met in the Black Studies division by Mrs. Kathy Hooker; in the Special Services Division by Grace Lyons and in the Childrens Room by Mrs. Barbara Geyger.

Press pickup in press lobby at 2:30 p. m. Television crews and photographers may wish to precede to main lobby of library (G Street entrance).