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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

RECEPTION FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS

October 5, 1974 9:00 p.m.

from:

Lucy Winchester

attire:

White Tie

9:00 p.m.

As your guests arrive they will be escorted to the East Room and take their places for the receiving line. Champagne will be served.

9:15 p.m.

Color Guard will request permission to remove the Colors. Descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard.

Proceed to the red carpet facing the East Room and pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement. Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

You will pause immediately inside the door of the East Room. An aide will place a stand-up microphone in front of you and you will make brief welcoming remarks.

9:20 p.m.

Pause while the Color Guard reforms...follow the Color Guard down the Grand Hall and through the center doors of the Blue Room. You and Susan will take a position in front of the windows along the south wall for the receiving line...Ambassador Catto will present your guests.

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Kissinger will be the first through the receiving line, followed by the Ambassador of Nicaragua.

Your guests will follow through the receiving line in protocol order as listed on the attached pages - Tab A.

NOTE: Individual photographs will be taken.

As your guests pass through the receiving line, they will proceed into the State Dining Room where champagne, juice and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

10:20 p.m.

At the conclusion of the receiving line, you and Susan will be escorted to the State Dining Room where you will mingle informally with your guests.

10:30 p.m.

You will escort Mrs. S. Edward Peal and the Dean will escort Susan to the East Room for dancing to the Meyer Davis Orchestra.

When you and Susan are ready, you will be escorted to the Family Quarters.

NOTES:

There will be press pool coverage of the evening.

A White House photographer will be present in the Blue Room to take the individual photographs.

The Marine Orchestra will be positioned in the Grand Hall.

The Marine Corps Harpist will be positioned in the Diplomatic Reception Room while your guests are arriving.

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