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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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February 4, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
FROM: JERRY JONES *JJ*
SUBJECT: July 4, 1976

* Queen Elizabeth has indicated her availability to visit the United States on July 4, 1976. I gather other foreign visitors may well be in the country at that time. Therefore, I recommend you include Brent Scowcroft in the meeting you have proposed concerning the celebrations on Independence Day 1976.

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* Good suggestion. When we have Br. Cant why include B/Scow--

cc: Donald Rumsfeld

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By *WKM*, NARA, Date *11-28-00*



JACK:

The attached is
for your info prior
to meeting the
British Ambassador
at 3 today

Jed

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 12, 1975

TO: DR. MARRS
FROM: MARIA DOWNS *M*

Our cupboards were almost bare as far as British participation in the Bicentennial. Attached are the only two pieces of information we have. I did however call Bill Blue, Director of International affairs for ARBA and came up with the following:

The principal reason for the Ambassador's visit is to discuss the Queen's visit to the United States in 1976. I have enclosed a copy of the Kissinger schedule proposal which lists the possible dates of July 7 - 11.

The British have three primary Bicentennial programs:

- 1) Exchange of artists in cooperation with the State Department and the National Endowment for the Arts. The term artists is used in the broadest way to include the spectrum from theater artists to sculptors, painters, etc.
- 2) Proposal for "centerpiece" gift from Parliament to our Congress. Various proposals are still being considered in this regard including having the Magna Carta on display in the Capitol for a year and a reasonable facsimile being given.
- 3) Program of the performing arts. Grants have been provided to the Royal Ballet, the London Symphony etc. to come to the United States and perform in 1976.

In addition to these programs they plan to present a replica of the Liberty Bell to the city of Philadelphia to be hung in the tower of their new Visitor's Center being built by the National Park Service.

They plan to send a Colliery Band (mining band) to perform in the mining areas of our country.



There is a possibility a British Tattoo will be performed at Wolftrap.

The Franklin-Jefferson Exhibit will open in London on the 17th of September.

My prior knowledge of Ambassador Ramsbotham was through Mrs. Armstrong who hosted a luncheon at the White House for him. It was the first time he met with John Warner and other White House officials connected with the Bicentennial. This was very early on in the stages and although many things were discussed nothing was firmed at that time. I know Mr. Warner has had many followup meetings...perhaps Dick Lukstat was included but I have no knowledge of that.

I would imagine any additional information on the Queen's visit would be more readily available to you through Jeanne Davis or NSC than it would be to me.

Bill Blue the source of my information for this memo is a very reliable person. I have no doubt that everything stated by him is correct.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL
DATE:
FROM: Henry A. Kissinger
VIA: Warren S. Rustand

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MEETING: Bicentennial Reception for Foreign Chiefs of State and Heads of Government.

DATE: Late July, 1976.

PURPOSE: To focus foreign participation in the U. S. Bicentennial celebrations in a 1-2 day ceremonial even in Washington.

FORMAT: White House reception, Kennedy Center entertainment and a ceremony at Mount Vernon might provide the principal focus for the event.

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking points and toasts will be provided by NSC.

PRESS COVERAGE: To be announced, full press coverage of entire event.

STAFF: Henry A. Kissinger and Ted Marrs.

RECOMMEND: Henry A. Kissinger and Ted Marrs.

OPPOSED: None.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: While you have met with many of those who would attend such an event, the event itself would be unique.

BACKGROUND: As the United States begins its Bicentennial celebrations, we are receiving a growing number of requests for visits from foreign chiefs of state and heads of government. The current list of those who have expressed interest is at Tab A.

You have invited Queen Elizabeth II to pay a state visit during July 7-11. You have also invited President Giscard d'Estaing to pay a state visit and his staff has expressed a preference for May, 1976 dates. As additional foreign leaders are now seeking invitations

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to come to the United States it would seem appropriate to establish a policy on how best to handle these visitors -- taking into account the demands on your schedule that a flow of high level visitors would place during an extremely busy year.

Several of those expressing interest in coming to the United States -- e. g., the King of Sweden, the Queen of Denmark -- are planning to come on private visits. However, they are still looking forward to a meeting with you.

We can also expect that many leaders who have not yet expressed an interest in coming will do so closer to the time of the July 1976 U.S. celebrations -- and that they may feel slighted if they do not receive an invitation while, at the same time, other foreign leaders are here to meet with you.

For these reasons, it might be best to consider one overall event (in addition to the UK and French visits) to which invitations could be extended to all foreign leaders. This would eliminate the need to deal throughout the year with requests for visits. It would highlight the U.S. Bicentennial in appropriate and colorful fashion through the press coverage it would receive worldwide and -- with careful planning -- it could be a most dignified and appropriate ceremony.

The best timing for such an event might be in late July, 1976, following Queen Elizabeth's visit. We recommend that you approve this proposal in principle with the understanding that detailed recommendations as to participants, ceremonies and event situations will be forwarded for your consideration.

APPROVE _____

DISAPPROVED _____

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AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL ADMINISTRATION

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20276
(202) 382-1776

Mr. Borling

*File
British
participation*

January 20, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Visit by Queen of England during 1976

During a conversation I had with Merrick Baker-Bates today in which I gave him some background on John Warner's visit with the British Bicentennial Liaison Committee, he raised with me the visit of the Queen to the United States in 1976. He queried whether the subject had come up during the session with the Committee and I told him that my records did not reveal that it had. He then said that the Queen would be opening the summer Olympic Games in Montreal in 1976 and a visit to the United States at that time would seem to be appropriate. The call by the British Ambassador on Henry Kissinger on this subject came up during the conversation.

William L. Blue

cc: ARBA - Mr. Warner/Mrs. Lynch
STATE/CU - Mr. Minnich
White House - Mr. Borling
USIS, London - Mr. Ritcheson

FOREIGN PROJECTS FOR THE BICENTENNIAL

Great Britain

- London Celebration of American Bicentennial - The City of London plans to adopt for its 1976 theme "The 200th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence". The festival will be held during the first two weeks in July 1976.
- Yorktown Visitors Center - Under a grant from the British Government, a British research team has been assisting the Virginia Bicentennial Commission in the development of an exhibit planned for the new Visitors Center at Yorktown.
- Captain James Cook Exhibit - The National Maritime Museum in Greenwich, England has loaned its entire Cook collection to the Oregon Historical Society which plans to mount a major international exhibit devoted to the life, maritime and scientific exploits of Captain Cook and to honor the Bicentennial of his three Pacific voyages of discovery and exploration. Portland is the site of the exhibit which is scheduled from July 1974 to January 1975.
- Exhibits (British Based) - The Sunday Times plans to sponsor an exhibit called "1776 - The British Side of the Story".
- A connoisseur's exhibit of American colonial furniture and silver will be displayed at the Victoria and Albert Museum in cooperation with Yale University.
- The Assistant Director of the Atkins Museum of Kansas City, Missouri has been contracted by the British Arts Council to develop a major American Indian Art exhibit for showing in the London Hayward Gallery in 1976.

France

- Sound and Light Spectacle - Though an official announcement has yet to be made, the French Government will sponsor a sound and light spectacle at Mount Vernon in 1976.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 13, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE RECORD

FROM:

JACK MARSH

SUBJECT:

Visit of Queen Elizabeth II - 1976

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The Ambassador outlined some general thoughts on the Queen's visit set out below.

The actual date of the acceptance of the invitation to the Bicentennial is not known, but the Ambassador expects it will occur within a week.

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Her visit to this country will begin July 6 and conclude July 11. The Queen will travel to the United States from Bermuda on the Royal Yacht, Britannia, and the tentative plan is for her to proceed to the port of Philadelphia.

The arrival date (July 6) will be considered a "private day", which will accommodate her schedule I gather from the standpoint of a ceremonial status.

On the morning of July 7, it is tentatively planned she will travel to Washington by aircraft or possibly by train to be received on the South Lawn at 10:30 a.m. It should be noted that the Queen does not fly in helicopters and, therefore, should not be programmed into her schedule. It can be expected the afternoon of

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- On July 12, the last day of her visit, the Queen might host a dinner aboard the Britannia which will have sailed up the coast probably to New York. She goes from there to Canada.

The Ambassador solicits suggestions for the Queen's visit and we are endeavoring to develop a range of options for him by the first week in July in order that he may take them with him to England. The thought is that whatever itinerary she selects once she sets out on her visit, this will be presented as the Queen's Tour for Bicentennial purposes which other may wish to duplicate.

The Queen will be accompanied by Prince Philip and he will be able to take on certain Bicentennial duties where the Queen might not be able to participate. At this time it is contemplated also in the Royal party will be Prince Charles and he might proceed to the West Coast of the United States. We have been requested to recommend scheduling suggestions for him. The thrust of his visit if he goes

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As an aside, the Ambassador points out that the Queen is a great horsewoman. In her visit if she were taken to the countryside where there are farms she would enjoy seeing horses. If she does visit the Charlottesville area, this is "horse-country" and would probably provide the opportunity she wants.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: TED MARRS
FROM: JACK MARSH

What is the status of the suggestions on the Queen's visit here next year?

Many thanks.

JOM/dl



July 1, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: TED MARRS
FROM: JACK MARSH

I think we should get together before the end of the week and talk about the Queen's visit in order that we can bring the Ambassador up-to-date, and also be responsive to any requests he might make.

Many thanks.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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Connie

Queens

July 11, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: TED MARRS

FROM: RUSS ROURKE

Ted, I thought I would spare you the phone call, and give you the attached memo from Jack Marsh by messenger.

Have a nice weekend.
RAR:cb



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FROM: MILT MITLER *Mitler*
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August 15, 1975

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MEMORANDUM TO: DICK CHENEY
FROM: JACK MARSH

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HELMS, JESSE
QUEEN'S VISIT 1976

August 20, 1975

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Dear Jesse:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to the British Embassy relative to your suggestion that Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip visit the Elizabethan Garden on Roanoke Island.

I also spoke to Mr. Glover about this and was assured that the suggestion will be considered in putting together the Queen's itinerary.

Sincerely,

Theodore C. Marrs
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Jesse Helms
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Enclosure

MEM/sjd

bc: Central Files
Jack Marsh ✓



August 20, 1975

Dear Ed:

Attached is a copy of the letter from Senator Helms about which I spoke to you and one of the brochures on The Elizabethan Garden on Roanoke Island.

The brochure doesn't do the garden full justice. This is a very beautiful area and I'm sure the new garden-within-a-garden dedicated to Queen Elizabeth II will further enhance what is already an outstanding attraction.

I have no question that, time permitting, the Queen and the Prince would find a visit to The Elizabethan Garden a very delightful and memorable experience and an extremely nice part of their visit to our country. However, as I have said in the past, our desire is to satisfy those arrangements Her Majesty prefers to follow.

My very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Theodore C. Marrs
Special Assistant to the President

Mr. Edward C. Glover
British Embassy
Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20008

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 18, 1975

Dr. Ted Marrs
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ted:

Since you are helping to coordinate Bicentennial projects for the White House, I want to bring to your attention the excellent project that has been undertaken by the Elizabethan Garden of the Garden Club of North Carolina.

As a North Carolinian, you are probably aware of the special place of the site of the Elizabethan Garden in American history. The Garden commemorates the probable site of the famous "lost colony" of Sir Walter Raleigh, and is dedicated to Queen Elizabeth I of England. In the quarter of a century that the Garden has been in existence, it has prospered and grown until it is now, in my opinion, one of the most beautiful gardens in North America, a combination of old world classicism combined with ten acres of "wild" woodland beautifully cultivated in a naturalistic effect. For thousands of visitors every year, it has helped to draw attention to the important role which Great Britain has played in our history.

For this reason, the Elizabethan Garden has adopted as its Bicentennial Project, the creation of a new garden-within-a-garden, dedicated to Queen Elizabeth II. This will serve to emphasize the continuing links between the United States and Great Britain. I must say that the British Embassy has been just marvelous in cooperating with this project, providing technical assistance in choosing motifs that are pleasing to Her Majesty, and in offering a gift of plant-material from Her Majesty so that there will be a direct expression of material interest.

I have now learned that her Majesty will visit this country next year for a brief period, and that her schedule is in the process of

Dr. Ted Marrs
August 18, 1975
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organization. I would like to suggest that it would be historically significant and appropriate for Her Majesty to make a brief stop at the Elizabethan Garden, for a welcoming/dedication ceremony at the new garden of Elizabeth II, followed by a tour of the rest of the garden. These gardens, of course, are breathtakingly beautiful, and part of the English tradition which continues with us today. Needless to say, the type of ceremony and the amount of time required would be entirely tailored to Her Majesty's wishes.

In closing, I wish to point out that the Elizabethan Garden is entirely non-profit, and receives a substantial yearly appropriation from the State of North Carolina. The immediate surrounding of the Garden is a dignified setting maintained by the U.S. National Parks Service as their regional headquarters, and is adjacent to the outdoor theatre where the historical drama "The Lost Colony" is produced annually. The new garden has been approved as an official bicentennial project by the Dare County Bicentennial Commission, by the North Carolina State Bicentennial Commission, and by the Governor of North Carolina.

I hope that you can strongly recommend the Queen's visit to the Elizabethan Garden as a unique and interesting stop on the royal itinerary.

Sincerely,



JESSE HELMS:ls

CC: Mrs. W. Marion Odom, Chairman, The Elizabethan Garden.

Enclosure: Two copies of Elizabethan Garden pamphlet.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Queen

OCT 4 1975

October 1, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH

FROM: TED MARRS 

In view of the number of heads of state planning to visit here during the Bicentennial period, I think it might be worthwhile for us to have a meeting with State Department Protocol and NSC. There are some significant matters to discuss including the consideration of some Bicentennial commemorative gift to each. If this is agreeable with you, I'll set it up.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Heads of
State
P/M

29 Sept. - RAC report of Ted M.
Keller matter.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 25, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE

FROM: JACK MARSH 

This is something I want you to handle especially and with great circumspection. I would not urge the writing of any memos except one, which would be a very basic, informational memo to describe the problem and raise certain questions as to how that problem is addressed. I would use this memo more as a talking paper with the people with whom you meet, rather than giving them a copy. However, you will have to be the judge of that.

The only persons I think you should discuss this with would be Marrs, Mitler, Buchen, Rumsfeld, Cheney, McFarlane, Scowcroft, Kaiser, Warner, the Chief of Secret Service, and the Security Officer at State.

I think you and Ted should first discuss the forthcoming visit of heads of state collectively for the Bicentennial next Spring or Summer, and also the individual visits of d'Estaing and the Queen from the standpoint of security. I do not want any public or even widespread knowledge internally of our discussion of this. My guess is that the British are somewhat concerned by the recent events from the standpoint of the visit of the Royal Family.

The large number of heads of state that we want to have here at one time poses an additional problem. The French also have their concerns.

It is my thought that we should early on begin to develop a plan to address this. I want you to keep a log or memoranda of any phone calls or personal conversations that you have on this.

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NEWS

Moore Was Recently An Informer

At the same time she was hinting to police at plans to kill President Ford, Sara Jane Moore was feeding other law enforcement officials information on illegal weapons, the AP reported Wednesday.

Mrs. Moore continued her role as a government informer in the 24 hours before she fired a revolver at the President.

It was disclosed Wednesday that Mrs. Moore purchased that revolver for \$145 from a private collector only four hours before she tried to shoot the President. NBC reported that the sale was "perfectly legal." -- AP;UPI;Networks (9/24/75)

Moore Suffered From Amnesia in 1950

An Army private identified as Sara Jane Kahn, the original name of accused Presidential assailant Sara Jane Moore, collapsed near the White House in 1950 suffering from amnesia, the Washington Star reported Wednesday. -- AP;UPI (9/24/75)

Two Men Arraigned For Death Threats To Ford

Two men have been arraigned in San Francisco for investigation of death threats made against President Ford the same day Sara Jane Moore shot at the President.

Benedict Solicio, also known as Ronald Carlo, was arraigned in Federal court Tuesday on a complaint of threatening the life of the President and ordered held on \$25,000 bail.

Secret Service agents said they arrested a San Jose man, David E. Salisbury, after he allegedly called a telephone operator Monday night and said, "I'm going to shoot President Ford with a rifle." -- AP (9/24/75)

British Papers React to Assassination Attempts

Americans must expect their Presidents to be shot at until the Nation's "gun-madness" is curbed by tougher laws,

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British newspapers said today. The Daily Telegraph said the myth that every American has a right to carry a gun is a "vilely distorted legacy" and "a blot on the face of the United States."

The liberal Guardian said President Ford cannot make the peril vanish by bravely not appearing to notice it.

The tabloid Sun published a cartoon showing Ford trying to push Richard Nixon back into the Oval Office in the White House.

The Daily Mail's American correspondent, Dermot Purgavie, questioned whether the assassination attempts might affect Ford's decision to be a candidate next year. -- AP (9/24/75)

Republicans to Ford: Take It Easy

By Godfrey Sperling, Jr.

(Excerpted from the Christian Science Monitor)

President Ford sticks doggedly to his campaigning plans -- but a decided erosion in support for this position is discernible among White House aides and Republican leaders.

. Republican national chairwoman Mary Louise Smith said this of the suggestion that Mr. Ford should cease plunging into crowds to shake hands: "Certainly this is something that should be considered."

. A White House aide on the presidential plane returning from San Francisco said wearily that, after the second assassination attempt in 17 days, the time may have come for Mr. Ford to "cool it."

. A spot check of Republican leaders showed further support for the President ceasing to dart into crowds.

. Mr. Ford, however, continues to say that he must press ahead.

Presidential Counsel Philip W. Buchen reluctantly agrees that there is a problem of "contagion." Another White House aide indicated there now would be "further discussions" on how best to protect the President. But he said flatly that, as of now, there would be no change in the President's travel plans.

November 6, 1975

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2. _____ Jack Marsh discuss with the President.

RAR/dl



THE WHITE HOUSE

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cc: JJones

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 5, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE

FROM: MILT MITLER 

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October 31, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: JACK MARSH

FROM: RUSS ROURKE *RR*

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Jack, I checked again with both Ted and Milt re the Queen's State dinner aboard the yacht. Milt is getting additional details from the British Embassy with the hope of submitting an intelligent schedule proposal. Both Ted and Milt are aware of the burden placed on you by the British Ambassador.

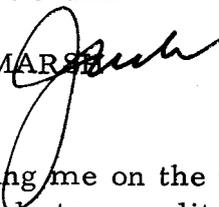
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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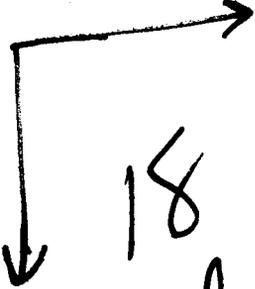
October 27, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE

FROM: JACK MARSH 

The British Ambassador is pressing me on the matter of the Queen. Anything you and Ted can do to expedite this would be greatly appreciated.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



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attached OK -
TM & MIT

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 13, 1975

Three events:

- 1) President's dinner for the Queen.
- 2) Reciprocal dinner in Washington.
- 3) Dinner aboard yacht (President doesn't want it in New York City environs harbor).

*Clear harbor
dinner w/ Aircraft -*

Summary by Brent

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WASHINGTON

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TUESDAY, 6 JULY

10.00 Arrive Philadelphia.
Engagements in the City.
Night on board Britannia.

WEDNESDAY, 7 JULY

Washington.
White House banquet.

THURSDAY, 8 JULY

Washington.
British Embassy banquet.

FRIDAY, 9 JULY

am Board Royal Yacht and sail into New
York harbour

pm Engagements in New York.
Banquet aboard Royal Yacht

11.30 (approx) Depart New York for Bridgeport, Newhaven
or New London

SATURDAY, 10 JULY

10.00 Disembark at Bridgeport, Newhaven or
New London

Fly to Charlottesville



4.00pm (approx)

Depart Charlottesville for Newport to board the Royal Yacht (which will have sailed up from Bridgeport, Newhaven or New London).

Sail overnight to Boston.

July 10

SUNDAY, 11 JULY

Farewell dinner for President aboard yacht.

am or pm

Visit to Boston.

Then depart for Canada.

Farewell dinner for President

Prince Charles will precede Queen, extended tour, mid west and West in July.



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Connie -

Please send copy
of attached to
Ted Marrs w/
~~the~~ following note
from me:

"Ted

As per our
conversation. Thanks

Ann"

DEC 10 1975

NICHOLSON, BILL
QUEEN'S VISIT

December 10, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: BILL NICHOLSON
FROM: MILT MITLER

The British Ambassador, who is leaving for England shortly, advised that he has received word from Buckingham Palace concerning consideration of a luncheon for the Queen and Prince Phillip and the President and Mrs. Ford following the arrival formalities on July 7, 1976. He pointed out that this was what happened when the Queen visited here in 1957 and found the quiet luncheon with President and Mrs. Eisenhower most enjoyable.

cc: Russ Rourke

MEM/sjd



December 20, 1975

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FROM: JACK MARSH

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JOM/dl



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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June 9, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: MARIA DOWNS

FROM: JACK MARSH

In reference to the Queen's Dinner and your possible guest list involving Congressional Members, I would point out that it is essential to maintain a bi-partisan representation.

The Queen's visit is associated with the American Bicentennial which has followed a guideline of being non-partisan.

This does not mean there must always be equal representation between the two parties; however, it does mean a substantial representation.

I particularly call to your attention the Queen's Dinner because of the unusual interest in attending it and, therefore, the guest list will be very carefully observed and we will want to avoid possible criticism.

Many thanks.

JOM/dl



July 4

June 30, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: RUSS ROURKE
FROM: JACK MARSH

How about coming up with a list of people on Queen Elizabeth's arrival ceremony. Call Barnett and see if he would like to go?

Let's you and I get together today and see if we can come ^{up} with names of five or six people that might like to attend that arrival ceremony.

JOM/dl



PRESIDENT'S REMARKS ON ARRIVAL OF

QUEEN ELIZABETH II

JULY 7, 1976

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YOUR MAJESTY, YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS, LADIES AND

GENTLEMEN:

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I AM DELIGHTED TO
WELCOME YOU TO THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE WHITE HOUSE.



YOUR FIRST STATE VISIT TO AMERICA, IN 1957, MARKED
THE 350th ANNIVERSARY OF THE SETTLEMENT OF JAMESTOWN --
THE FIRST PERMANENT ENGLISH COLONY IN THIS NEW LAND.

YOU HONOR US AGAIN TODAY BY COMING TO SHARE IN OUR
BICENTENNIAL OBSERVANCE AND THE NEW SPIRIT OF OPTIMISM AND
COOPERATION GENERATED BY THIS GREAT OCCASION.

DURING THE ¹⁶⁹~~170~~ YEARS BETWEEN THE FIRST SETTLEMENT AT
JAMESTOWN AND OUR INDEPENDENCE, ^{13 colonies}~~BRITISH AMERICA~~ DEVELOPED
~~INTO THIRTEEN PROSPEROUS COLONIES,~~ ^{prospered --} PROTECTED BY THE BRITISH
NAVY, ENJOYING THE ADVANTAGES OF BRITISH COMMERCE AND
ADOPTING BRITISH CONCEPTS OF REPRESENTATIVE SELF-GOVERNMENT.



IN DECLARING INDEPENDENCE IN 1776, WE LOOKED FOR
GUIDANCE AND INSPIRATION TO OUR BRITISH HERITAGE OF LIBERTY
AND LAW. AS A SOVEREIGN NATION, WE HAVE KEPT AND

NURTURED THE MOST DURABLE BOND OF ALL -- THE BOND OF IDEALISM
IN WHICH OUR NEW NATION WAS CONCEIVED.

YOUR MAJESTY'S VISIT SYMBOLIZES OUR DEEP AND CONTINUING
COMMITMENT TO THE COMMON VALUES OF ANGLO-AMERICAN
CIVILIZATION.

YOUR MAJESTY, FOR GENERATIONS OUR PEOPLES HAVE
WORKED TOGETHER AND FOUGHT SIDE BY SIDE.



AS DEMOCRACIES, WE CONTINUE OUR QUEST FOR PEACE AND
JUSTICE. THE CHALLENGES WE NOW FACE ARE DIFFERENT FROM
THOSE THAT WE HAVE CONFRONTED TOGETHER AND OVERCOME IN
THE PAST.

AT STAKE IS THE FUTURE OF THE INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACIES WHICH
HAVE SUSTAINED THEIR DESTINY IN COMMON FOR MORE THAN A
GENERATION. AT STAKE IS THE FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE
BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY TO ALL HUMANITY AND THE CREATION OF A
BETTER WORLD.



AS NEW NATIONS -- AND OLD -- EACH SET THEIR POLITICAL
COURSE TO ACHIEVE THESE AIMS. THE PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN
DIGNITY AND LIBERTY SET FORTH IN THE MAGNA CARTA AND OUR
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE REMAIN TRULY REVOLUTIONARY
LANDMARKS.

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YOUR MAJESTY, THE WOUNDS OF OUR PARTING IN 1776
HEALED LONG AGO. AMERICANS ADMIRE THE UNITED KINGDOM
AS ONE OF OUR TRUEST ALLIES AND BEST FRIENDS. THERE COULD
BE NO MORE CONVINCING EVIDENCE OF THAT FRIENDSHIP THAN THE
SPLENDID BRITISH CONTRIBUTIONS AND PARTICIPATION ON THE
OCCASION OF OUR BICENTENNIAL.



LAST MONTH, I WELCOMED TO THE WHITE HOUSE ROSE GARDEN
THE DISTINGUISHED DELEGATION OF THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT WHO
ESCORTED AN HISTORIC ORIGINAL COPY OF THE MAGNA CARTA
TO AMERICA. THE LOAN OF THIS DOCUMENT FOR OUR BICENTENNIAL
IS A GESTURE THAT WILL BRING PLEASURE AND INSPIRATION TO ALL
WHO VIEW IT.

YESTERDAY IN PHILADELPHIA, YOUR MAJESTY INAUGURATED
THE NEW BICENTENNIAL BELL, A GIFT FROM THE PEOPLE OF BRITAIN
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES. INSCRIBED
"LET FREEDOM RING", IT WILL HANG IN THE BELL TOWER AT
INDEPENDENCE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.



WHEN I WAS IN PHILADELPHIA ON THE FOURTH OF JULY, I
THOUGHT WHAT A PERFECT COMPLEMENT THE NEW BELL WILL BE TO
OUR OWN LIBERTY BELL AND THE CENTENNIAL BELL IN INDEPENDENCE
HALL. FOR THESE GIFTS, AND MANY OTHERS WITH WHICH
BRITAIN HAS HONORED OUR HISTORIC CELEBRATION, THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL.

ABOVE ALL, WE APPRECIATE THE PERSONAL HONOR YOU
HAVE SO GRACIOUSLY DEMONSTRATED BY VISITING OUR SHORES
AT THIS SPECIAL MOMENT IN OUR HISTORY. DURING YOUR
VISIT, YOU WILL TRAVEL TO HALLOWED AMERICAN LANDMARKS.
YOU WILL OBSERVE MANY CHANGES SINCE YOU WERE HERE LAST.



BUT YOU WILL FIND THE WARMTH OF YOUR RECEPTION EVEN GREATER
THAN BEFORE. YOU WILL RECOGNIZE IN THE AMERICAN PEOPLE
THE CONTINUED UNSWERVING DEVOTION TO THE PRINCIPLES THAT
HAVE MADE OUR TWO COUNTRIES CHAMPIONS OF FREEDOM --
AND A NEW AMERICAN SPIRIT OF CONFIDENCE AND OPTIMISM AS
THE UNITED STATES ENTERS ITS THIRD CENTURY.

DURING YOUR VISIT IN 1957, PRESIDENT EISENHOWER
REMARKED THAT AMERICA'S RESPECT FOR BRITAIN WAS SYMBOLIZED
IN OUR AFFECTION FOR THE ROYAL FAMILY. IT IS IN THIS
SPIRIT WE WELCOME YOUR MAJESTY'S VISIT AS A HAPPY OCCASION
FOR REAFFIRMING OUR JOINT DEDICATION TO FREEDOM, PEACE,
DEMOCRACY AND THE WELL-BEING OF OUR PEOPLES.



YOUR MAJESTY, AMERICA BIDS YOU AND YOUR PARTY

A MOST CORDIAL AND HEARTFELT WELCOME.

END OF TEXT

