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FACT SHEET  
Mrs. Ford's Office



Event Dinner

Group Joint Chiefs of Staff, Service Secretaries and United Commanders

DATE/TIME Saturday, December 11, 1976 7:30 p.m.

Contact Pat Howard

Phone 2927

Number of guests: Total approx. 50 Women x Men x Children --

Place State Floor

Principals involved President and Mrs. Ford

Participation by Principal yes (Receiving line) yes

Remarks required yes

Background --

REQUIREMENTS

Social: Guest list yes - Social Entertainments office will distribute guest list.  
Invitations yes Programs no Menus yes  
Refreshments Dinner Format  
Entertainment yes - Military Musical Units  
Decorations/flowers yes  
Music yes  
Social Aides yes  
Dress Black Tie Coat check yes-DRR  
Other --

Press: Reporters TO BE RESOLVED  
Photographers \_\_\_\_\_  
TV Crews \_\_\_\_\_  
White House Photographers YES Color YES Mono. \_\_\_\_\_  
Other --

Technical Support: Microphones yes PA Other Rooms ?  
Recording yes  
Lights no  
Transportation cars - enter thru SW Gate  
Parking South Grounds  
Housing --  
Other -- (Risers, stage, platforms) no

Project Co-ordinator Pat Howard Phone 2927

Site diagrams should be attached if technical support is heavy.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 1, 1976

FOR: MRS. FORD

FROM: MARIA DOWNS *μ*

Attached for your review and approval is a proposed menu with two alternate suggestions for the Joint Chiefs of Staff Dinner on December 11, 1976.

Thank you.

*Mrs. Ford -*

*Henry submitted only a beef  
menu since this is a military  
dinner - thought they would  
like plain old beef -*

*M*



DINNER

\* Lobster with Remoulade Sauce OR Baked Oysters on Half Shell

Broiled Filet Mignon Bearnaise

Mushrooms Nicoise

Artichoke Hearts with Spinach OR Artichoke Hearts with  
Pearl Onions

Endive and Watercress Salad

Trappist Cheese

Grand Marnier Souffle

Sauce Sabayon

Demitasse

The White House

Saturday, December 11, 1976

\*Lobster served in the shell -- 1/2 of an 1 lb. baby lobster -- on one half of the shell is the lobster and on the other half of the shell is a vegetable salad of carrots, peas, celery and apples tossed together with a Remoulade Sauce which is a herb sauce of pickles, capers and parsley with a mustard base.





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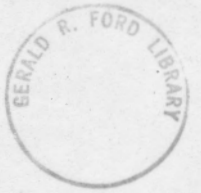
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DINNER FOR  
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE,  
SERVICE SECRETARIES, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF  
AND THE COMMANDERS OF THE UNIFIED COMMANDS



December 11, 1976

7:30 p. m.

Dress: Black tie . . . long dresses for the ladies

Arrival:

- 7:30 p. m. . . . your guests will arrive through the Southwest Gate and will be escorted to the State Floor where they will be served cocktails in the Grand Hall.
- 7:35 p. m. . . . you and Mrs. Ford will descend Grand Staircase . . . pause at the second landing of staircase for announcement . . . then proceed to the foot of staircase for photograph.

Reception:

- You and Mrs. Ford will join your guests for cocktails and mingle informally.
- Marine String Ensemble will be playing in the Grand Hall.
- 7:55 p. m. . . . you and Mrs. Ford will invite your guests to join you for dinner.

Dinner:

- Round tables (First Floor Family Dining Room)
- The Air Force Strolling Strings will play during dessert.
- After dessert, you may wish to make brief remarks.

After-Dinner:

- 9:00 p.m. ... you and Mrs. Ford will invite your guests to join you in the Grand Hall for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars.
- The Navy Sea Chanters will be singing at the end of the Cross Hall in front of the East Room door.
- After the Sea Chanters' program, there will be dancing in the Grand Hall ... the Marine Dance Combo will be providing the music.

Departure:

- You and Mrs. Ford will bid farewell to your guests and return to the Family Quarters.
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TABLE 1 (to your right)

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Donald H. Rumsfeld

Admiral James L. Holloway, III (Chief of Naval Operations)

Mrs. Dennis P. McAuliffe (Wife of Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Southern Command)

General John J. Hennessey (Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Readiness Command)

Mrs. Thomas C. Reed (Wife of Secretary of the Air Force)

General Robert E. Huyser (Deputy Commander-in-Chief, Europe)

Mrs. Isaac C. Kidd (Wife of Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic)

The Honorable William P. Clements, Jr. (Deputy Secretary of Defense)

Mrs. George S. Brown (Wife of Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff)

TABLE 3 (to your right)

MRS. FORD

The Honorable Martin R. Hoffman (Secretary of the Army)

Mrs. Louis H. Wilson (Wife of Commandant of the Marine Corps)

Admiral Owen W. Siler (Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard)

Mrs. John J. Hennessey (Wife of Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Readiness Command)

Lieutenant General Dennis P. McAuliffe (Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Southern  
Command)

Mrs. Maurice F. Weisner (Wife of Commander-in-Chief, Pacific)

General Daniel James, Jr. (Commander-in-Chief, Aerospace Command)

Mrs. Bernard W. Rogers (Wife of Chief of Staff, U. S. Army)

General David C. Jones (Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force)



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 10, 1976

FOR: MRS. FORD  
FROM: MARIA DOWNS

The following items are attached for your review and information:

1. Scenario (for review and approval)
2. Guest List

Thank you.





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Guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford for the JCS, Service Secretaries and United Commanders on Saturday, December 11, 1976 at 7:30 o'clock, The White House:

The Secretary of Defense and Mrs. Rumsfeld

The Honorable Brent Scowcroft

Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

The Honorable William P. Clements, Jr. and Mrs. Clements

Deputy Secretary of Defense

The Honorable Martin R. Hoffman and Mrs. Hoffman

Secretary of the Army

The Honorable Thomas C. Reed and Mrs. Reed

Secretary of the Air Force

General George S. Brown, USAF, and Mrs. Brown

Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

Admiral James L. Holloway, III, USN, and Mrs. Holloway

Chief of Naval Operations

General David C. Jones, USAF, and Mrs. Jones

Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force

General Bernard W. Rogers, USA, and Mrs. Rogers

Chief of Staff, U.S. Army

General Louis H. Wilson, USMC, and Mrs. Wilson

Commandant of the Marine Corps

Admiral Owen W. Siler, USCG, and Mrs. Siler

Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard

The Honorable William G. Hyland and Mrs. Hyland

Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

Admiral Isaac C. Kidd, USN, and Mrs. Kidd

Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic

General Russell E. Dougherty, USAF

Commander-in-Chief, Strategic Air Command

Admiral Maurice F. Weisner, USN, and Mrs. Weisner

Commander-in-Chief, Pacific

General John J. Hennessey, USAF, and Mrs. Hennessey

Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Readiness Command

General Daniel James, Jr., USAF, and Mrs. James

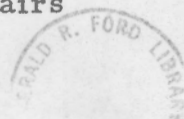
Commander-in-Chief, Aerospace Command

Lieutenant General Dennis P. McAuliffe, USA, and Mrs. McAuliffe

Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Southern Command

General Robert E. Huyser, USAF, and Mrs. Huyser

Deputy Commander-in-Chief, Europe



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Guest List  
for Joint Chiefs  
Dinner —



Dinner - Saturday, December 11, 1976 at 7:30 o'clock

SW gate

JN

No rsvp

No encl

aa The President and Mrs. Ford

aa The Secretary of Defense and Mrs. Rumsfeld  
Dept. of Defense - 20301

aa The Hon. Brent Scowcroft and Mrs. Scowcroft  
West Wing  
(Asst to the Pres for Natl Security Affs)

aa The Hon. William P. Clements, Jr. and Mrs. Clements  
Room 3E942, Dept. of Defense - 20301  
(Deputy Secretary of Defense)

RR The Hon. Robert Ellsworth and Mrs. Ellsworth *no reason*  
(Deputy Secretary of Defense)

aa The Hon. Martin R. Hoffman and Mrs. Hoffman  
Secretary of the Army  
Room 3E718, Dept. of Defense - 20301

RR The Hon. J. William Middendorf, II and Mrs. Middendorf *out of country*  
Secretary of the Navy

aa The Hon. Thomas C. Reed and Mrs. Reed  
Secretary of the Air Force  
Room 4E871, Dept. of Defense - 20301

aa General George S. Brown, USAF, and Mrs. Brown  
Room 2E783, Dept. of Defense - 20301  
(Chmn., JCS)

aa Admiral James L. Holloway, III, USN, and Mrs. Holloway  
Room 4E660, Dept. of Defense - 20301  
(CNO)

aa General David C. Jones, USAF, and Mrs. Jones  
Room 4E929, Dept. of Defense - 20301  
(Chief of Staff, US Air Force)

aa General Bernard W. Rogers, USA, and Mrs. Rogers  
Room 3E668, Dept of Defense - 20301  
(Chief of Staff, US Army)

aa General Louis H. Wilson, USMC, and Mrs. Wilson  
Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps  
Arlington Annex  
Washington, D. C. 20380  
(Commandant of the Marine Corps)

aa The Hon. William G. Hyland and Mrs. Hyland  
West Wing  
(Dep Asst to the Pres for National Security Affs)

RR General Alexander M. Haig, Jr., USA, and Mrs. Haig  
Supreme Allied Commander, Europe *out of country & operational commitments*  
APO  
New York, New York 09055

aa Admiral Maurice F. Weisner, USN, and Mrs. Weisner  
Commander-in-Chief, Pacific  
FPO  
San Francisco, California 96610





aa Admiral Isaac C. Kidd, USN, and Mrs. Kidd  
Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic  
Norfolk, Virginia 23511

aa General John J. Hennessey, USAF, and Mrs. Hennessey  
Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Readiness Command  
MacDill Air Force Base, Florida 33608

aa General Daniel James, Jr., USAF, and Mrs. James  
Commander-in-Chief, Aerospace Command  
Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado 80914  
(also CINC NORAD)

aa Lieutenant General Dennis P. McAuliffe, USA, and Mrs. McAuliffe  
Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Southern Command  
Quarry Heights  
APO  
New York, New York 09826

aa General Russell E. Dougherty, USAF, and Mrs. Dougherty  
Commander-in-Chief, Strategic Air Command  
Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska 68113

(Mrs ill w/cancer but hopes  
to come)

GERALD R. FORD LIB