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THE WHITE HOUSE

September 9, 1976

FOR:

MRS. FORD

FROM:

MARIA DOWNS

Attached for your review and selection are two proposed menus for the State Dinner in honor of President and Mrs. Tolbert of Liberia on September 21, 1976.

Thank you.

For your approval



DINNER

Saint Michelle Semillon Blanc 1975 Almaden Cabernet Sauvignon 1971

* Timbale of Sea Scallops

Roast Rack of Lamb
Baked Celery with Almonds
Green Peas with Fresh Mint

** Asparagus and Lettuce Vinaigrette Salad
Port Salut Cheese

Beaulieu Extra Dry 1970 *** Chocolate Souffle Vanilla Sauce

The White House Wednesday, September 22, 1976

*Timbale of Sea Scallops -- timbale form made of pastry shell, baked in the oven -- filled with sea scallops and mushrooms with herb sauce.

** Asparagus and Lettuce Vinaigrette Salad -- white asparagus tips served on a bed of lettuce.

*** Chocolate Souffle -- hot chocolate souffle with vanilla sauce served separately.



DINNER

Saint Michelle Semillon Blanc 1975 Almaden Cabernet Sauvignon

* Mousse of Sole

** Supreme of Capon *** Rice Pilaff Green Beans with Water Chestnuts

> Watercress and Endive Salad Bel Paese Cheese

Beaulieu Extra Dry 1970 **** Charlotte Monticello

The White House Wednesday, September 22, 1976

*Mousse of Sole -- made of eggs, heavy cream, sherry wine and filet of sole mixed together - prepared in the oven and served hot ... the center of the mousse ring is filled with seafood and decorated with fleurons (pastry puffs) -- there will be NO crab meat in this.

**Supreme of Capon -- prepared with a white wine sauce.

***Rice Pilaff -- white rice cooked with onions, green and red peppers.

****Charlotte Monticello -- in a solid round form, place white and pink lady fingers along the wall of the form - then fill the form with Bavarian cream of vanilla and strawberry flavor -- this is then turned out onto a dish and decorated with whipped cream and sugar violets on top.



For Immediate Release
Monday, September 20, 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY TO MRS. FORD

The President and Mrs. Ford will honor His Excellency, William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, and Mrs. Tolbert at a blacktie state dinner in the White House Tuesday, September 21, at 8 PM.

Contemporary Singer/Entertainer, Wayne Newton, will perform in the East Room following dinner.

The Museum of the City of New York has loaned its private collection of 19th Century silver presentation pieces for the dinner. All of the pieces were created by American manufacturers in the late 1800's. Silver presentation pieces come from the custom of giving a piece of silver to an individual in recognition of service or in appreciation of accomplishment.

The centerpieces include a silver pitcher presented to Admiral David Farragut in 1863 by Commander Charles Hunter and the officers in the crew of the U.S. Steamer Montgomery, and a silver fruit dish to Cyrus W. Field in 1866 by George Peabody. Other pieces include: a fireman's trumpet, a teapot, a hot water kettle, loving cups and vegetable dishes, which were presented to outstanding Americans.

Quadrille Fabrics of New York has donated the tablecloths to be used for the dinner. The "Bagatelle print" is a hand-screened print of blended multi-colored floral (muted reds, oranges, greens, yellows, etc.). The silver presentation pieces will be encircled with American grown, all season flowers and greens; such as, Boston ivy, pink cabbage roses, eucalyptus, pink lilies, gerber daisies and mums. There will be six peach/pink votive candles in clear glass holders on each table. The napkins will be accented with a pink lily tucked in the green and white striped grosgrain ribbon.

The Johnson china, Kennedy crystal and Monroe vermeil will be used. The state floor will have garlands of flowering American greens highlighted with votive lights.

Joan Peck, designer from New York, has coordinated the decorations of the state floor. Mr. Renny Reynolds, "Renny's" of New York, has worked with Ms. Peck on the flower arrangements.

The menu: Timbale of Sea Scallops; Roast Rank of Lamb; Baked Celery with Almonds; Green Peas with Fresh Mint; Asparagus and Lettuce Vinaigrette Salad; Port Salut Cheese; and Charlotte Monticello.

The wines: Saint Michelle, Semillon Blanc (1975); Almaden, Caberne Sauvignon (1971); and Beaulieu, Extra Dry (1970).



In Honor of
His Excellency
The President of the
Republic of Liberia
And Mrs. Tolbert

THE WHITE HOUSE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1976

CONDUCTOR Donald Vincent VOCALISTS Robyn Lewis Lynn Poynor elody Westmoreland MUSICIANS Lynn Case Peter Tramontana Vickie Yanics James Diehl Joaquin Diago David Raines Michael Martsolf Robert Reid Milan Rezabek Johnny Sciarrino Bob Price PERSONAL MANAGER

Jay Stream

ROAD MANAGER

Mitch Greenberg

It has been said of Wayne Newton that he performs with such joy and personal pleasure that watching him often leaves audiences both exhilarated and exhausted. His versatility is also a crowd-pleaser: he sings just about every type of popular music; he is accomplished on banjo, guitar, trumpet and violin; he evokes laughter with humor that blends the sophisticated with the folksy.

While many famous show business personalities have been boosters of Mr. Newton's career—Jack Benny, Lucille Ball, Danny Thomas, Bobby Darin—he considers that his big break came in 1962 when, following a show in Las Vegas, he flew to Phoenix to perform in the city's salute to Jackie Gleason. After the show, Gleason insisted that Newton not "go on any other television show until you go on mine." After that first appearance, he signed for four more shows the same year and for five the next. Thus was launched his career as a top-flight entertainer.

Now, Wayne Newton, who has been in show business since the age of five, is one of the most popular nightclub entertainers in the country. Although he has entertained larger crowds in Nevada than any other performer—and continues to break attendance records—his stardom is not limited to the glitter of the nightclub circuit. His guest appearances on television consistently boost the ratings of shows, and his records have sold more than fifteen million copies.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

LIBERIAN RECIPROCAL RECEPTION

Anderson House

Wednesday - September 22, 1976

Attire: Business Suit Departure: 6:23 P.M.

From: Terry O'Donnell

SEQUENCE

You and Mrs. Ford board motorcade on 6:23 p.m.

South Grounds and depart en route Anderson House.

6:30 p.m. Arrive Anderson House where you and Mrs. Ford will be met by President and Mrs. Tolbert.

> PRESS POOL COVERAGE CLOSED ARRIVAL

6:32 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by President and Mrs. Tolbert, proceed via stairway to second floor dining room for brief

refreshments.

You and Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert arrive dining room for brief conversation and refreshments.

> NOTE: In the dining room, you will be joined by Minister of Foreign Affairs Cecil C. Dennis and General Brent Scowcroft.

6:35 p.m.



6:45 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by President and Mrs. Tolbert, depart dining room and proceed to offstage announcement area.

6:45 p.m.

Announcement.

You and Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert proceed down stairway to reception room and guests.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 300

You and Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert arrive reception room and proceed to table for viewing of a commemorative plaque and stamp collection presented as a gift by the people of Liberia.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

You and Mrs. Ford thank President and Mrs. Tolbert and depart reception room en route motorcade for boarding.

Motorcade departs Anderson House en route South Grounds.

Arrive South Grounds.

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6:46 p.m.

6:48 p.m.

6:50 p.m.

6:57 p.m.



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THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

September 15, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD

Subject: Official Gift Exchange During the Visit of His Excellency William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, and Mrs. Tolbert, September 20, 1976 - October 2, 1976

We have learned that President Tolbert of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert will present to you and Mrs. Ford a photograph of themselves in a wooden frame and, in addition, a small memento from their country. I suggest that you reciprocate with a formal portrait of you and Mrs. Ford taken with President and Mrs. Tolbert prior to the White House dinner.

The following is a suggested inscription:

To His Excellency
The President of the Republic of Liberia
and Mrs. Tolbert

With our best wishes,

Gerald R. Ford September 21, 1976 Betty Ford

Shirley Temple Black Ambassador



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King of the Strip

Who is the biggest star in Las Vegas today? Sammy? Frank? Liza? Elvis? The answer is none of the above, for the performer who outdraws them all is Wayne Newton, a 33-year-old former child entertainer who hasn't cut a hit record in two years. Newton's twicenightly shows pack in 20,000 people a week, 36 weeks a year. He has entertained more people in Vegas than any

week, for 46 weeks a year. "People threw things at you, and hecklers were a way of life," he recalls. "If you didn't get them, you were disappointed."

Newton's big break came when singer Bobby Darin caught his act during a brief stint at New York's Copacabana. "I think it's time you recorded," said Darin, who signed on as Newton's producer and introduced him to his first piece of golden Weltschmerz, "Danke Schön," which sold 250,000 copies. With a hit

THE WHITE HOUSE

September 20, 1976

FOR:

MRS. FORD

FROM:

MARIA DOWNS

SUBJECT:

State Dinner in Honor of President and

Mrs. Tolbert of Liberia - 9/21/76

The attached items are for your review and information:

- 1. Scenario (for review and approval)
- 2. Dinner Guest List
- 3. After-Dinner Guest List
- 4. Regret List

Thank you.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DINNER IN HONOR OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND MRS. TOLBERT

September 21, 1976 8:00 p.m.

Dress:

Black tie ... long dresses for the ladies

Arrival:

- 8:00 p.m. ... at North Portico Entrance ... President and Mrs. Tolbert, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- -- You and Mrs. Ford will greet.
- -- Photo coverage of greeting.

Yellow Oval Room:

- -- Acting Secretary and Mrs. Charles Robinson; Foreign Minister Cecil Dennis; American Ambassador and Mrs. W. Beverly Carter, Jr.; and Foreign Ambassador and Mrs. Francis Dennis will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p.m. arrival of President and Mrs. Tolbert and The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- Approximately 8:10 p.m. ... all guests except President and Mrs. Tolbert will depart at this time ... Color Guard will request permission to remove Colors.

Grand Entrance:

-- Approximately 8:12 p.m. ... descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard.

- -- Pause at foot of staircase for official photograph (President Tolbert to your right ... Mrs. Tolbert to your left ... then Mrs. Ford).
- -- Color Guard reforms and procession moves to red carpet facing East Room ... pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement ... take receiving line positions (President Tolbert to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Tolbert).
- -- Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

Receiving Line:

- -- Take position just inside door of East Room ... Ambassador Black will present your guests.
- -- After receiving line, follow guests into State Dining Room.

Dinner:

- -- Round tables (State Dining Room and Red Room)
- -- The Army Strolling Strings will play during dessert.
- No press coverage of dinner ... toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press... there will be mini-camera coverage of the toasts with a small photo pool.

After-Dinner:

- -- 10:00 p.m. ... guests proceed to parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the Blue Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- -- 10:05 p.m. ... after-dinner guests will be escorted to the State Floor. You, Mrs. Ford, President and Mrs. Tolbert (President Tolbert to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Tolbert) will receive the after-dinner guests

from a position in the Grand Hall between the Blue Room and Green Room doors -- a Military Social Aide will present your guests -- guests will proceed to the East Room and take their seats.

Entertainment:

- -- After the guests are seated, you will enter the East Room through the center door and seat Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert.
- -- You proceed to the stage which will be located along the center of the north wall and introduce Wayne Newton.

NOTE: Suggested remarks (Tab A).

-- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the stage to thank Wayne Newton.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment. Photo and mini-camera coverage will be of the first and last parts of the program and of your thanking Wayne Newton.

-- After you have thanked Wayne Newton, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the Blue Room where you will mingle informally with your guests.

NOTE: There will be dancing in the Grand Foyer.

Departure:

- -- You and Mrs. Ford, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the North Portico.
- -- You and Mrs. Ford may wish to return for dancing or return to the Family Quarters.
- -- There will be champagne, mixed drinks and dancing for the guests who remain.



NOTES:

- -- The dinner and after-dinner guest lists are attached (Tab B).
- -- A suggested toast is attached (Tab C).
- -- Military Social Aides will be present.
- -- Marine Corps Harpist will be playing in the Diplomatic Reception Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.
- -- White House photographer will be present.
- -- Marine Corps Band will be playing on the South Portico Balcony as your dinner guests arrive.

Maria Downs



Guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford in honor of His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, at eight o'clock, The White House:

His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert

His Excellency C. Cecil Dennis, Jr. Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency James T. Phillips, Jr.
Minister of Finance

His Excellency D. Franklin Neal

Minister of Planning and Economic Affairs

Mrs. Evelyn Townsend
Wife of the Minister of State for Presidential Affairs

Mrs. Wokie Tubman
Wife of the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations,
Liberian Senate (Daughter of President Tolbert)

The Honorable Jackson F. Doe Chairman, Committee on Education and Civil Service, Liberian Senate

The Honorable Robert I. E. Bright

Chairman, Committee on Executives, House of Representatives

His Excellency The Ambassador of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Dennis

His Excellency Emmett Harmon

Ambassador-at-Large

Paramount Chief Jimmy Dahn

Saclapea-Mah Chiefdom Nimba County

The Honorable Augustus F. Caine
Director, Institute of Public Administration

Mr. Justice Marshall and Mrs. Marshall

The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Richardson

The Honorable Charles W. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson Acting Secretary of State

The Honorable Louis Stokes and Mrs. Stokes
House of Representatives (Ohio)

The Honorable Charles B. Rangel and Mrs. Rangel House of Representatives (New York)

The Honorable Barbara Jordan House of Representatives (Texas)



The Honorable Richard B. Cheney and Mrs. Cheney Assistant to the President

The Honorable Brent Scowcroft

Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

General Fred C. Weyand, USA, and Mrs. Weyand Army Chief of Staff

The Honorable W. Beverly Carter, Jr., and Mrs. Carter American Ambassador to Liberia

The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black

The Honorable David R. Gergen and Mrs. Gergen Special Assistant to the President

The Honorable Stanley B. Thomas, Jr., and Mrs. Thomas Assistant Secretary of HEW for Human Development

The Honorable John C. Calhoun and Mrs. Calhoun Special Assistant to the President

The Honorable Melvin L. Manfull and Mrs. Manfull Former American Ambassador to Liberia and Senior Inspector,

Office of the Inspector General, Department of State

Major General George Olmstead, USAR (ret.), and Mrs. Olmstead Captain W. Lee Domina, USMC

Marine Aide to the President

Mr. Marty Allen, Beverly Hills, California Comedian

Mrs. Taylor Ashley, San Francisco, California Guest of Mr. James D. Robertson

Mr. Charles H. Bass, Washington, D. C. Escort of Miss Barbara Jordan

Mr. and Mrs. David Beretta

Chairman, Uniroyal, Inc., New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bierwirth
Chairman, Grumman Corporation, Bethpage, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Bishop Attorney, Alexandria, Virginia

Mr. Creed Black

Editor, Philadelphia Inquirer, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Black

Managing Partner, Lehman Brothers, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Borgnine, Beverly Hills, California Actor

Mr. and Mrs. William V. Brokaw New York, New York

Mr. Tony Brown

Executive Producer, Black Journal, New York, New York

Miss Fannie Brownell

Research Officer, Liberian President's Press Office

Mr. and Mrs. William Cellini

Springfield, Illinois

Mrs. Lansdell Christie

Widow of the founder of the Liberian Mining Company, New York City

The Honorable Sylvanus Corker

Assistant Minister of Information, Cultural Affairs, and Tourism, Liberia

Miss Charlotte M. Curtis

Associate Editor, The New York Times, New York, New York

Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Denny

President, Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dickman

Fairfield, Connecticut

Miss Lisa Drew

Guest of Mr. Alex Haley and Sr. Editor, Doubleday & Company, Inc., New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Elder, Washington, D.C. Rose Professional golfer

Dr. and Mrs. Luther H. Foster

President, Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Frey, Sr. Marcia Winter Park, Florida

Ms. Elsa Goss, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Guest of Mr. Creed Black

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Grimes

President, Opelika-Auburn Publishing Company, Opelika, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond R. Haggar Chairman, Haggar Company, Dallas, Texas

Mr. Alex P. Haley, Beverly Hills, California

Author of "Roots"

Mr. and Mrs. Kim C. Hallamore Alexandria, Virginia

The Honorable Seymour Halpern and Mrs. Halpern New York, New York; former Congressman

The Honorable A. Linwood Holton and Mrs. Holton Attorney, Washington, D. C.

The Reverend Dr. Joseph P. Jackson, Sr. and Mrs. Jackson National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jenner

1976 Olympic Gold Medalist, Decathalon

Miss Leonade Jones, Chevy Chase, Maryland Guest of Mr. Tony Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Miner S. Keeler, II
East Grand Rapids, Michigan



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keyes
Pasadena, California

The Honorable George W. Lindberg and Mrs. Lindberg Comptroller, State of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Loomis
East Lansing, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Marquard

Chief Executive Officer, American Standard, Inc., New York City

The Honorable James H. McGee and Mrs. McGee Mayor of Dayton, Ohio, sister city of Monrovia

Mr. and Mrs. John C. McGoff
President, PANAX Corporation, East Lansing, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKay

TV sports commentator, ABC Sports, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Murphy

Editor, San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Myers

Executive V.P. and Treasurer, Seaboard Allied Milling Corporation, Kansas City, Missouri

Mr. James J. Pirtle, Glen Head, L.I., New York Escort of Mrs. Lansdell Christie

Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Platten Chairman, Chemical Bank, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Riley
President, Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio

Mr. James D. Robertson

Partner, Goldman, Sachs & Company, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rozelle

Commissioner, National Football League, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Saunders

Chairman, Liberian Iron & Steel Company, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Warner Saunders
WBBM-TV, Chicago, Illinois

Ms. Pattie Shrum, Arlington, Virginia Guest of Captain W. Lee Domina

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith Portsmouth, Virginia

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanford Smith Chairman, International Paper Company, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Asa T. Spaulding, Sr.

Head of the U.S. delegation to the Inauguration of President
Tolbert in January, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stroud
Editor, Detroit Free Press, Detroit, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutterfield
New Orleans, Louisiana



Mr. and Mrs. F. Clifton White Greenwich, Connecticut

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Whittlesey Scotia, New York

Mr. and Mrs. F. Perry Wilson Chairman, Union Carbide Corporation, New York, New York

To hear from:

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Erving
New York Nets Basketball Player--"Dr. J"

The Honorable Andrew Young and Mrs. Young House of Representatives (Georgia)



Guest list for the after-dinner entertainment following the dinner in honor of His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert on Tuesday, September 21, 1976 at ten o'clock, The White House

Accompanying Liberian Party

Brigadier General Thomas J. Sackie

Aide-de-Camp to the President

Colonel Wilfred Clarke

Director, Special Security Service

The Honorable John Weseh McClain

Deputy Minister of State for Presidential Affairs

His Excellency J. Charles Hansford

Chief of Protocol, Executive Mansion

The Honorable Max Dennis

Special Assistant to the Minister of State for Presidential Affairs

The Honorable Henry B. Cole

Press Secretary to the President

The Honorable Julius C. W. Kroma

Private Secretary to the President

Mr. Stanton Peabody

Editor-in-Chief of the Liberian Age

Liberian Embassy

Mr. William Bull

Counselor

Mr. and Mrs. Temynors Kla-Williams

Press and Cultural Counselor

Dr. and Mrs. Harry Moniba

First Secretary

Mrs. Rose Daniel Price

Second Secretary

Mr. and Mrs. V. James Adduci, Falls Church, Virginia President, Electronic Industries Association

Dr. and Mrs. Aris T. Allen, Annapolis, Maryland

Retired from the Maryland House of Delegates

Miss Helen J. Ammen

Secretary to Mr. Michael Duval

Guest: Mr. Travis Hulsey

Dr. and Mrs. Charles M. Baker, Denver, Colorado Dentist; Bonnie Baker is Mrs. Ford's niece

Mrs. Alice H. Banks, Washington, D. C.

Credit Manager, Sheraton Park Hotel

Guest: Mr. Leslie Hill Nelson

Mr. and Mrs. Travers J. Bell, Jr., New York, New York Chairman, Daniels & Bell, Inc.



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Washington Bureau Chief, Johnson Publishing Company

Mr. and Mrs. Rhett B. Dawson, Washington, D. C.

Mrs--Press Secretary to Senator Packwood; Mr--Joint Committee on Defense Production

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Emory, Washington, D. C.

Watertown (New York) Daily Times

Miss Julie Harris

Actress currently performing at the Kennedy Center in "The Belle of Amherst"

Guest: Mr. Charles Nelson Reilly (producer of the play)

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harrison

Staff Member, National Security Council

Mrs. Imogene Holmes, Washington, D. C.

Appointments Secretary to The Speaker

Guest: Mr. Truman Richardson

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Johnson, Washington, D. C. Assistant Parliamentarian of the House

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maher, Chevy Chase, Maryland Administrative Assistant to Rep. Paul G. Rogers

Mr. and Mrs. M. Peter McPherson

Deputy Director of the White House Personnel Office

Mr. and Mrs. William Moser

Mrs. Gertrude Moser, Secretary to Rep. Joseph M. McDade

Mr. John Novotney, Washington, D. C.

Religious News Service

Guest: Miss Hanyi Disher

Miss Virginia Nuessle

Ford-Dole Campaign Committee

Guest: Mr. Tony Carbonar

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Pierson

Mrs. JoAnne Pierson, House Minority Leader's Staff (Rhodes)

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Presock, Manassas, Virginia Mrs. Patty Presock, West Wing Receptionist

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Russo

President Ford Committee

Ambassador and Mrs. Talcott W. Seelye

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. William Self

Wieuca Road Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia

Ambassador and Mrs. Robert S. Smith

Senior Staff Member, National Security Council

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Spaulding

Consultant, White House Personnel Office

Miss Cecille Sternberg, New York, New York

Liberia Mining Co., Ltd.

Guest: Mr. Eugene Bagwell



Mr. and Mrs. Stillman K. Taylor, Alexandria, Virginia
Mrs. Patricia Taylor, former secretary to Mr. Dave Gergen
Miss Christy Valentine
Secretary to Dr. James Cavanaugh

Guest: Mr. Ron Running



Regrets for the dinner, September 21, 1976 at 8:00 p.m.:

Vice President & Mrs. Rockefeller - in Chicago Secretary of State & Mrs. Kissinger - in Africa Secretary of Transportation & Mrs. Coleman - out of town Senator & Mrs. Robert J. Dole

Mrs. Brent Scowcroft

Mr. John Bench - playing in baseball game

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Connors ("Mannix") - filming

Mr. Lionel L. Hampton - entertaining 1500 Republicans in N. Y.

Mr. & Mrs. Carroll Johnson

Mr. Gene Kelly - in Europe

Miss Sandra Palmer - playing in golf tournament

Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Pilliod - previous commitment

Dr. & Mrs. James L. Sullivan - Southern Baptist Convention meeting

Mr. Garry Trudeau

Miss Cicely Tyson - working on film

Mr. John Wayne - working on TV show

Mr. & Mrs. Andy Athens - business obligations

His Eminence John Cardinal Cody - out of country

Mr. & Mrs. Ody Fish

Mr. & Mrs. Edgar D. Jannotta - illness in family

Mr. & Mrs. John Meiszner

Col. & Mrs. William M. Peterson, USA ret.

Mr. & Mrs. John H. Sengstacke - previous commitment

Mr. & Mrs. Rocky Graziano - Mrs. is ill

Sen. & Mrs. John L. McClellan - illness

Sen. & Mrs. Roman L. Hruska

Sen. Edward W. Brooke

Hon. William E. Schaufele & Mrs. Schaufele - accompanying Kissinger

Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Lachman - Hosting dinner (Bloomingdale's)

Mr. & Mrs. Marvin S. Traub - Hosting dinner with Lachmans

Mr. & Mrs. Mercer Ellington - previous commitment

Attorney General & Mrs. Levi - other dinner commitment

Secretary of Labor - out of town

Rev. Leon Sullivan & Mrs. Sullivan

Secretary of Interior & Mrs. Kleppe

Secretary of Treasury & Mrs. Simon - out of town

Secretary of Agriculture & Mrs. Butz - out of town

Mr. & Mrs. W. Richard Goodwin



THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY TO MRS. FORD

Contemporary singer and entertainer Wayne Newton will perform at the state dinner tonight honoring His Excellency, William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, and Mrs. Tolbert.

This will be Mr. Newton's first performance at the White House.

Newton has traveled the world with a performance combining humor, instrumental music and song. His singing includes pop, rhythm and blues, ballads, country and western and rock. He is accomplished at a number of instruments: banjo, guitar, trumpet, violin, piano among other

Newton is also known for his movie and television appearances and his best selling records. He has sold over 15 million recordings, with "Daddy Don't You Walk So Fast" his last gold record. In 1966 he was summoned to London for a Command Performance for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

The 32-year-old performer was born April 3, 1944 in Roanoke, Virginia. He got his start at the age of five when he sang on a local radio station. His family moved to Phoenix, Arizona, and when he was 12 years old, he hosted his own local television show. At 16, he accepted an offer from the Fremont Hotel in Las Vegas, which formally launched his career.

Newton was well on his way by the 1960's, his career having been boosted by regular performances on Jackie Gleason's television show and cross-country tours with Jack Benny. Also, with the late Bobby Darin's encouragement, Newton recorded his first hit, "Danke Shoen."

In 1975, the Frontier Hotel celebrated Newton's fifth anniversary with them and Governor O'Callaghan proclaimed him "Envoy Extraordinaire" from the State of Nevada. He also received in 1975, the "Golden Plate Award" from the American Academy of Achievement in Utah for excellence in his field and "Male Entertainer of the Year Award" from the Academy of Variety and Cabaret Artists.

Newton and his wife, former Elaine Okamura, live on their ranch, Casa de Shenandoah, in Las Vegas.



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR MRS. FORD

FROM

CLEM CONŒR Olew

I thought you and the President might like to have the background information included in my memo to Maria Downs in view of the fact that Mrs. Lansdell Christie has been invited by you to the dinner on September 22 for the President of the Republic of Liberia. I understand Miss Ceil Sternberg has been invited to the reception afterwards.



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

August 19, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR MARIA DOWNS

FROM

CLEM CONGER

SUBJECT:

"Liberian Dinner"

An absolute must for the Liberian dinner on September 22 is Mrs. Lansdell Christie from New York State. Mrs. Christie is the widow of the late Lansdell Christie who was the founder and President of the Liberian Mining Company, New York and Liberia. Mr. Christie developed the great iron mines in Liberia which he had discovered when he was an American aviator flying over West Africa in World War II. The Christie family established the iron mines, built the railroads in Liberia and also established schools, hospitals, clinics, etc. To this day, although Mr. Christie is now deceased, the Christie family is the most important American interest in Liberia. Mrs. Christie takes a great interest in Liberians who come to the United States and entertains them in New York.

The late Mr. Christie's executive assistant, Miss Ceil Sternberg, now is handling many events for the Liberian visit in New York after Washington from the late Mr. Christie's office in New York.

Mrs. Christie is a donor to both the White House and the State Department. The Christie estate has lent to the White House the great portrait of George Washington by Willson Peale over the mantel in the President's Oval Office. This is the greatest work of art of the six versions of George Washington in the White House. It is valued in the neighborhood of \$350,000. It is hoped that the Christie estate will give this portrait to the White House permanent collection in due course. It is Mrs. Christie who will make the final determination.

Therefore, it can be seen that it is really imperative that Mrs. Christie be included in the State Dinner for the President of



Liberia. It would be a nice gesture if Miss Ceil Sternberg of Liberia Mining Company could be invited (perhaps if not to the dinner) at least after dinner. Her address Is:

Miss Ceil Sternberg
120 E. 34th Street
Apartment 20-0
New York, New York
Tel: 212-683-5819

Mrs. Lansdell Christie
Lottingtown Road
Locust Valley, New York 11560 Tel: 212-248-8111



Copy for Mrs and

THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

September 15, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD

Subject: Official Gift Exchange During the Visit of His Excellency William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, and Mrs. Tolbert, September 20, 1976 - October 2, 1976

We have learned that President Tolbert of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert will present to you and Mrs. Ford a photograph of themselves in a wooden frame and, in addition, a small memento from their country. I suggest that you reciprocate with a formal portrait of you and Mrs. Ford taken with President and Mrs. Tolbert prior to the White House dinner.

The following is a suggested inscription:

To His Excellency
The President of the Republic of Liberia
and Mrs. Tolbert

With our best wishes,

Gerald R. Ford September 21, 1976

Betty Ford

Shirley Temple Black Ambassador



The President's table (reading around to the right)

THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Tolbert

Mr. Joseph Stroud

Editor of the Detroit Free Press

Mrs. Wayne Newton

Wife of the entertainer, San Luis Obispo, Calif.

Mr. Pete Rozelle

Commissioner, National Football League, NYC

Mrs. Joseph Whittlesey

Vice Chmn., New York Republican State Committee

Dr. Luther H. Foster

Pres., Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama

Mrs. William A. Marquard

Chief Executive Officer, American Standard, Inc., NYC

Mr. Jim McKay

ABC television sports commentator

Mrs. Charles B. Rangel

Wife of the Representative from New York (Dem.)



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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Preliminary guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford in honor of His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, at eight o'clock, The White House:

His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert

Balance of official party - 14

The Vice President and Mrs. Rockefeller

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Kissinger

Mr. Justice Marshall and Mrs. Marshall

The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Richardson

The Secretary of Transportation and Mrs. Coleman

Senator and Mrs. John L. McClellan (Arkansas)

Senator and Mrs. Roman L. Hruska (Nebraska)

Senator Edward W. Brooke (Massachusetts)

Senator and Mrs. Robert J. Dole (Kansas)

Rep. and Mrs. Louis Stokes (Ohio)

Rep. and Mrs. Charles B. Rangel (New York)

Rep. Barbara Jordan (Texas)

Rep. and Mrs. Andrew Young (Georgia)

Hon. Richard B. Cheney and Mrs. Cheney Assistant to the President

Hon. Brent Scowcroft and Mrs. Scowcroft
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

Gen. Fred C. Weyand, USA, and Mrs. Weyand Chief of Staff, Army

Hon. W. Beverly Carter, Jr. and Mrs. Carter American Ambassador to Liberia

The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black

Hon. Stanley B. Thomas, Jr. and Mrs. Thomas
Assistant Secretary of HEW for Human Development

Hon. John C. Calhoun and Mrs. Calhoun Special Assistant to the President

Hon. Melvin L. Manfull and Mrs. Manfull Former U.S. Ambassador to Liberia

Maj. Gen. George Olmstead, USAR ret., and Mrs. Olmstead

Captain W. Lee Domina, USMC
Marine Aide to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Athens Hinsdale, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bierwirth
Chairman, Grumman Corporation, Bethpage, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Bishop Attorney, Alexandria, Virginia

Mr. and Mrs. Creed Black
Editor, Philadelphia Inquirer, Philadelphia, Penna.



Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Borgnine

Actor

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Brokaw

New York, New York

Mr. Tony Brown

Executive Producer, Black Journal, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. William Cellini

Springfield, Illinois

Mrs. Lansdell Christie

Locust Valley, New York (widow of founder, Liberian Mining Company)

His Eminence John Cardinal Cody

Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Connors

Actor ("Mannix" TV series)

Miss Charlotte M. Curtis

Associate Editor, The New York Times, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dickman

Fairfield, Connecticut

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Erving

"Dr. J"--N. Y. Nets Basketball player

Mr. and Mrs. Ody Fish

Hartland, Wisconsin

Dr. and Mrs. Luther H. Foster

President, Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Frey, Sr.

Parents of Rep. Louis Frey, Jr. (Florida)

Mr. and Mrs. W. Richard Goodwin

President and CEO, Johns-Manville Corporation, Denver, Colorado

Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Graziano

Former boxing champion; New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Grimes

President, Opelika-Auburn Publishing Company, Opelika, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond R. Haggar

Dallas, Texas

Mr. Alex P. Haley

Author of upcoming best-seller, "Roots"; Beverly Hills, California

Mr. and Mrs. Kim C. Hallamore

Alexandria, Virginia

Hon. and Mrs. Seymour Halpern

Former Congressman; New York, New York

Mr. Lionel L. Hampton

Musician, orchestra leader; New York, New York

Hon. A. Linwood Holton and Mrs. Holton

Former Assist. Secretary of State for Congressional Relations and

former Governor of Virginia; Washington, D. C.

Rev. Joseph P. Jackson

National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar D. Jannotta
William Blair & Co., Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jenner
Olympic gold medal winner in decathalon; San Jose, California

Mr. Carroll Johnson
RNC, Marion County, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. M.S. Keeler, II Grand Rapids, Michigan

Mr. Gene Kelly

Actor, dancer, director; Beverly Hills, California

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keyes
Pasadena, California

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph K. Krause
Wolverine World Wide, Inc., Rockford, Michigan

Hon. George W. Lindberg and Mrs. Lindberg Comptroller, State of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Loomis
East Lansing, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKay

TV sports commentator; ABC, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Marquard CEO, American Standard, Inc., New York, New York

Hon. James H. McGee and Mrs. McGee Mayor of Dayton, Ohio (sister city of Monrovia, Liberia)

Mr. and Mrs. John C. McGoff
President, PANAX Corporation; Williamston, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. John Meiszner Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Murphy
Editor, San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Myers

Executive V. P., Seaboard Allied Milling Corp., Kansas City, Missouri

Miss Sandra Palmer

Pro golfer; Westlake Village, California

Col. William M. Peterson, USA ret., and Mrs. Peterson Mrs.--Elly--Deputy Chairman, PFC, Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Pilliod, Jr.

Chairman, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Platten

Chairman, Chemical Bank, New York, New York

Mr. James D. Robertson

Partner, Goldman, Sachs & Company, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rozelle

Commissioner, National Football League, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Saunders

Chairman, Liberian Iron & Steel Company, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Warner Saunders
WBBM-TV, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. John Sengstacke
Publisher, Daily Defender, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith Portsmouth, Virginia

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanford Smith Chairman, International Paper Company, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stroud
Editor, Detroit Free Press, Detroit, Michigan

Dr. and Mrs. James L. Sullivan
President, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tennessee

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutterfield New Orleans, Louisiana

Mr. Garry Trudeau
Cartoonist, "Doonesbury", New Haven, Connecticut

Miss Cicely Tyson
Actress ("The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman")

Mr. and Mrs. John Wayne
Actor; Newport Beach, California

Mr. and Mrs. F. Clifton White Greenwich, Connecticut Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Whittlesey

Albany, New York

Mr. and Mrs. F. Perry Wilson Chairman, Union Carbide Corporation, New York, New York



Mrs. Ford's table (reading around to the right)

MRS. FORD

H.E. The President of the Rep. of Liberia

Mrs. Lansdell Christie

Widow of the founder of the Liberia Mining Co., NYC

Mayor James H. McGee Dayton, Ohio

Mrs. Asa T. Spaulding, Sr.

Wife of the former President of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co. Mr. Spaulding was head of the U.S. delegation to the Inauguration of Pres. Tolbert in 1976 (Jan.)

Mr. J. Stanford Smith

Chmn., International Paper Co., NYC

Mrs. George Olmstead

Wife of Gen. Olmstead, U.S. Army Reserve, ret., Arlington, Va.

Mr. Alex P. Haley

Author of "Roots" (soon to be released), Beverly Hills

Miss Charlotte M. Curtis

Associate Editor, New York Times

Mr. Bruce Jenner

1976 Olympic Gold Medalist, Decathalon



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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

September 21, 1976

FOR:

MRS. FORD

FROM:

MARIA DOWNS

Attached for your review and approval are the proposed seating plans for your and the President's tables.

Thank you.

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Silver pitcher presented to John B. King, 1851; made by Ball Tompkins & Black

37.254.1

Teapot presented by the Directors of the New York Institution for the Deaf and Dumb to Elizabeth Reynolds Budd, 1845. Miss Budd pleaded so successfully before the Albany Legislature that the full amount of money requested by the Institution was voted by acclamation.

34.346.4d-f

Vegetable dish presented by George Peabody to Cyrus W. Field on the successful laying of the Atlantic Cable in 1866

Pitcher presented in 1863 to Admiral David Glasgow Farragut, naval hero of the Civil War



Pitcher presented by the Board of Aldermen to their President, Morgan Morgans, 1850-1851; made by William Forbes for Ball Tompkins & Black

54.98.1c

Punch bowl presented to William Williams, 1905; made by Gorham Mfg. Co.

PRESIDENTIS Table

47.171.1

Fireman's trumpet presented to John W. Garside, 1852

34.346.1

Hot water kettle presented by George Peabody to Cyrus W. Field on the successful laying of the Atlantic Cable in 1866; made by Gorham Mfg. Co.



Trumpet ornament presented in 1850 to J. V. Meserole, Foreman of Engine Co. No. 8 by its members as a token of their esteem

62.161

Pitcher presented in 1850 to Marshall Lefferts, President of Telegraph Companies; made by John C. Moore for Ball, Tompkins & Black

42.302.2

Pitcher presented to Colonel Abram Duryee on his retirement from the Seventh Regiment National Guard in 1859. Made by Tiffany & Co.

74.155

Pitcher presented to N. Edson Sheldon, M.D., 1832; made by Gale & Moseley



Loving cup presented to Anton Seidl, conductor of the Metropolitan Opera, in 1887; made by the Gorham Mfg. Co.

28.85.6ab

Tureen presented to Richard Lathers by the Great Western Insurance Co. about 1865; made by Tiffany & Co. MRJ. FORD'S TABLE -

34.346.3b

Fruit dish presented by George Peabody to Cyrus W. Field on the successful laying of the Atlantic Cable in 1866

34.346.4a-c

Vegetable dish presented by George Peabody to Cyrus W. Field on the Successful laying of the Atlantic Cable in 1866



Pitcher presented to Julie A. Vanderpoel, later Mrs. Frederick W. Lowe, wife of the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas. 1850's.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DINNER IN HONOR OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND MRS. TOLBERT

September 21, 1976 8:00 p.m.

Dress:

Black tie ... long dresses for the ladies

Arrival:

- -- 8:00 p.m. ... at North Portico Entrance ... President and Mrs. Tolbert, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- -- You and Mrs. Ford will greet.
- -- Photo coverage of greeting.

Yellow Oval Room:

- -- Acting Secretary and Mrs. Charles Robinson; Foreign Minister Cecil Dennis; American Ambassador and Mrs. W. Beverly Carter, Jr.; and Foreign Ambassador and Mrs. Francis Dennis will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p.m. arrival of President and Mrs. Tolbert and The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- Approximately 8:10 p.m. ... all guests except President and Mrs. Tolbert will depart at this time ... Color Guard will request permission to remove Colors.

Grand Entrance:

-- Approximately 8:12 p.m. ... descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard.

- -- Pause at foot of staircase for official photograph (President Tolbert to your right ... Mrs. Tolbert to your left ... then Mrs. Ford).
- -- Color Guard reforms and procession moves to red carpet facing East Room ... pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement ... take receiving line positions (President Tolbert to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Tolbert).
- -- Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

Receiving Line:

- -- Take position just inside door of East Room ... Ambassador Black will present your guests.
- -- After receiving line, follow guests into State Dining Room.

Dinner:

- -- Round tables (State Dining Room and Red Room)
- -- The Army Strolling Strings will play during dessert.
- -- No press coverage of dinner ... toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press... there will be mini-camera coverage of the toasts with a small photo pool.

After-Dinner:

- -- 10:00 p.m. ... guests proceed to parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the Blue Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- -- 10:05 p.m. ... after-dinner guests will be escorted to the State Floor. You, Mrs. Ford, President and Mrs. Tolbert (President Tolbert to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Tolbert) will receive the after-dinner guests R.

from a position in the Grand Hall between the Blue Room and Green Room doors -- a Military Social Aide will present your guests -- guests will proceed to the East Room and take their seats.

Entertainment:

- -- After the guests are seated, you will enter the East Room through the center door and seat Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert.
- -- You proceed to the stage which will be located along the center of the north wall and introduce Wayne Newton.

NOTE: Suggested remarks

-- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the stage to thank Wayne Newton.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment. Photo and mini-camera coverage will be of the first and last parts of the program and of your thanking Wayne Newton.

-- After you have thanked Wayne Newton, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the Blue Room where you will mingle informally with your guests.

NOTE: There will be dancing in the Grand Foyer.

Departure:

- You and Mrs. Ford, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the North Portico.
- -- You and Mrs. Ford may wish to return for dancing or return to the Family Quarters.
- -- There will be champagne, mixed drinks and dancing for the guests who remain.



NOTES:

- -- The dinner and after-dinner guest lists are attached (Tab A).
- -- A suggested toast is attached
- -- Military Social Aides will be present.
- -- Marine Corps Harpist will be playing in the Diplomatic Reception Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.
- -- White House photographer will be present.
- -- Marine Corps Band will be playing on the South Portico Balcony as your dinner guests arrive.

Maria Downs



Guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford in honor of His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, at eight o'clock, The White House:

His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert

His Excellency C. Cecil Dennis, Jr.
Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency James T. Phillips, Jr.
Minister of Finance

His Excellency D. Franklin Neal

Minister of Planning and Economic Affairs

Mrs. Evelyn Townsend

Wife of the Minister of State for Presidential Affairs

Mrs. Wokie Tubman

Wife of the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, Liberian Senate (Daughter of President Tolbert)

The Honorable Jackson F. Doe

Chairman, Committee on Education and Civil Service, Liberian Senate

The Honorable Robert I. E. Bright

Chairman, Committee on Executives, House of Representatives

His Excellency The Ambassador of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Dennis

His Excellency Emmett Harmon

Ambassador-at-Large

Paramount Chief Jimmy Dahn

Saclapea-Mah Chiefdom Nimba County

The Honorable Augustus F. Caine

Director, Institute of Public Administration

Mr. Justice Marshall and Mrs. Marshall

The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Richardson

The Honorable Charles W. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson Acting Secretary of State

The Honorable Louis Stokes and Mrs. Stokes
House of Representatives (Ohio)

The Honorable Charles B. Rangel and Mrs. Rangel House of Representatives (New York)

The Honorable Barbara Jordan

House of Representatives (Texas)



The Honorable Richard B. Cheney and Mrs. Cheney Assistant to the President

The Honorable Brent Scowcroft

Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

General Fred C. Weyand, USA, and Mrs. Weyand Army Chief of Staff

The Honorable W. Beverly Carter, Jr., and Mrs. Carter
American Ambassador to Liberia

The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black

The Honorable David R. Gergen and Mrs. Gergen Special Assistant to the President

The Honorable Stanley B. Thomas, Jr., and Mrs. Thomas Assistant Secretary of HEW for Human Development

The Honorable John C. Calhoun and Mrs. Calhoun Special Assistant to the President

The Honorable Melvin L. Manfull and Mrs. Manfull
Former American Ambassador to Liberia and Senior Inspector,
Office of the Inspector General, Department of State

Major General George Olmstead, USAR (ret.), and Mrs. Olmstead Captain W. Lee Domina, USMC

Marine Aide to the President

Mr. Marty Allen, Beverly Hills, California Comedian

Mrs. Taylor Ashley, San Francisco, California Guest of Mr. James D. Robertson

Mr. Charles H. Bass, Washington, D. C. Escort of Miss Barbara Jordan

Mr. and Mrs. David Beretta

Chairman, Uniroyal, Inc., New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bierwirth
Chairman, Grumman Corporation, Bethpage, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Bishop Attorney, Alexandria, Virginia

Mr. Creed Black

Editor, Philadelphia Inquirer, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Black

Managing Partner, Lehman Brothers, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Borgnine, Beverly Hills, California
Actor

Mr. and Mrs. William V. Brokaw New York, New York

Mr. Tony Brown
Executive Producer, Black Journal, New York, New York



Miss Fannie Brownell

Research Officer, Liberian President's Press Office

Mr. and Mrs. William Cellini

Springfield, Illinois

Mrs. Lansdell Christie

Widow of the founder of the Liberian Mining Company, New York City

The Honorable Sylvanus Corker

Assistant Minister of Information, Cultural Affairs, and Tourism, Liberia

Miss Charlotte M. Curtis

Associate Editor, The New York Times, New York, New York

Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Denny

President, Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dickman Fairfield, Connecticut

Miss Lisa Drew

Guest of Mr. Alex Haley and Sr. Editor, Doubleday & Company, Inc., New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Elder, Washington, D.C.

Professional golfer

Dr. and Mrs. Luther H. Foster
President, Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Frey, Sr. Winter Park, Florida

Ms. Elsa Goss, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Guest of Mr. Creed Black

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Grimes

President, Opelika-Auburn Publishing Company, Opelika, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond R. Haggar Chairman, Haggar Company, Dallas, Texas

Mr. Alex P. Haley, Beverly Hills, California
Author of 'Roots'

Mr. and Mrs. Kim C. Hallamore Alexandria, Virginia

The Honorable Seymour Halpern and Mrs. Halpern New York, New York; former Congressman

The Honorable A. Linwood Holton and Mrs. Holton Attorney, Washington, D. C.

The Reverend Dr. Joseph P. Jackson, Sr. and Mrs. Jackson National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jenner

1976 Olympic Gold Medalist, Decathalon

Miss Leonade Jones, Chevy Chase, Maryland Guest of Mr. Tony Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Miner S. Keeler, II

East Grand Rapids, Michigan



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keyes Pasadena, California

The Honorable George W. Lindberg and Mrs. Lindberg Comptroller, State of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Loomis East Lansing, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Marquard

Chief Executive Officer, American Standard, Inc., New York City

The Honorable James H. McGee and Mrs. McGee Mayor of Dayton, Ohio, sister city of Monrovia

Mr. and Mrs. John C. McGoff

President, PANAX Corporation, East Lansing, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKay

TV sports commentator, ABC Sports, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Murphy

Editor, San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Myers
Executive V. P. and Treasurer, Seaboard Allied Milling
Corporation, Kansas City, Missouri

Mr. James J. Pirtle, Glen Head, L.I., New York Escort of Mrs. Lansdell Christie

Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Platten Chairman, Chemical Bank, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Riley
President, Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio

Mr. James D. Robertson

Partner, Goldman, Sachs & Company, San Francisco, California

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rozelle

Commissioner, National Football League, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Saunders

Chairman, Liberian Iron & Steel Company, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Warner Saunders
WBBM-TV, Chicago, Illinois

Ms. Pattie Shrum, Arlington, Virginia Guest of Captain W. Lee Domina

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith Portsmouth, Virginia

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanford Smith

Chairman, International Paper Company, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Asa T. Spaulding, Sr.

Head of the U.S. delegation to the Inauguration of President Tolbert in January, 1976

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stroud

Editor, Detroit Free Press, Detroit, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutterfield New Orleans, Louisiana



Mr. and Mrs. F. Clifton White Greenwich, Connecticut

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Whittlesey Scotia, New York

Mr. and Mrs. F. Perry Wilson Chairman, Union Carbide Corporation, New York, New York

To hear from:

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Erving
New York Nets Basketball Player--"Dr. J"

The Honorable Andrew Young and Mrs. Young House of Representatives (Georgia)



Guest list for the after-dinner entertainment following the dinner in honor of His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert on Tuesday, September 21, 1976 at ten o'clock, The White House

Accompanying Liberian Party

Brigadier General Thomas J. Sackie

Aide-de-Camp to the President

Colonel Wilfred Clarke

Director, Special Security Service

The Honorable John Weseh McClain

Deputy Minister of State for Presidential Affairs

His Excellency J. Charles Hansford

Chief of Protocol, Executive Mansion

The Honorable Max Dennis

Special Assistant to the Minister of State for Presidential Affairs

The Honorable Henry B. Cole

Press Secretary to the President

The Honorable Julius C. W. Kroma

Private Secretary to the President

Mr. Stanton Peabody

Editor-in-Chief of the Liberian Age

Liberian Embassy

Mr. William Bull

Counselor

Mr. and Mrs. Temynors Kla-Williams
Press and Cultural Counselor

Dr. and Mrs. Harry Moniba First Secretary

Mrs. Rose Daniel Price Second Secretary

Mr. and Mrs. V. James Adduci, Falls Church, Virginia President, Electronic Industries Association

Dr. and Mrs. Aris T. Allen, Annapolis, Maryland Retired from the Maryland House of Delegates

Miss Helen J. Ammen

Secretary to Mr. Michael Duval Guest: Mr. Travis Hulsey

Dr. and Mrs. Charles M. Baker, Denver, Colorado Dentist; Bonnie Baker is Mrs. Ford's niece

Mrs. Alice H. Banks, Washington, D. C.
Credit Manager, Sheraton Park Hotel
Guest: Mr. Leslie Hill Nelson

Mr. and Mrs. Travers J. Bell, Jr., New York, New York Chairman, Daniels & Bell, Inc.



Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Booker, Washington, D. C.
Washington Bureau Chief, Johnson Publishing Company

Mr. and Mrs. Rhett B. Dawson, Washington, D. C.

Mrs--Press Secretary to Senator Packwood; Mr--Joint Committee
on Defense Production

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Emory, Washington, D. C. Watertown (New York) Daily Times

Miss Julie Harris

Actress currently performing at the Kennedy Center in "The Belle of Amherst"

Guest: Mr. Charles Nelson Reilly (producer of the play)

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Harrison
Staff Member, National Security Council

Mrs. Imogene Holmes, Washington, D. C.
Appointments Secretary to The Speaker
Guest: Mr. Truman Richardson

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Johnson, Washington, D. C. Assistant Parliamentarian of the House

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maher, Chevy Chase, Maryland Administrative Assistant to Rep. Paul G. Rogers

Mr. and Mrs. M. Peter McPherson

Deputy Director of the White House Personnel Office

Mr. and Mrs. William Moser

Mrs. Gertrude Moser, Secretary to Rep. Joseph M. McDade

Mr. John Novotney, Washington, D. C. Religious News Service

Guest: Miss Hanyi Disher Miss Virginia Nuessle

Ford-Dole Campaign Committee Guest: Mr. Tony Carbonar

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Pierson

Mrs. JoAnne Pierson, House Minority Leader's Staff (Rhodes)

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Presock, Manassas, Virginia Mrs. Patty Presock, West Wing Receptionist

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Russo

President Ford Committee

Ambassador and Mrs. Talcott W. Seelye

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. William Self

Wieuca Road Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia

Ambassador and Mrs. Robert S. Smith

Senior Staff Member, National Security Council

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Spaulding

Consultant, White House Personnel Office

Miss Cecille Sternberg, New York, New York
Liberia Mining Co., Ltd.
Guest: Mr. Eugene Bagwell



Mr. and Mrs. Stillman K. Taylor, Alexandria, Virginia
Mrs. Patricia Taylor, former secretary to Mr. Dave Gergen
Miss Christy Valentine

Secretary to Dr. James Cavanaugh Guest: Mr. Ron Running

