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Tentative

~~SWEARING-IN OF DANIEL BOORSTIN~~

~~2:00 p.m. Wednesday
November 12, 1975~~

~~Great Hall, Library of Congress~~

Did not attend

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

DANIEL BOORSTIN AS LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS

Wednesday - November 12, 1975

Departure: 2:15 P.M.

From: Terry O'Donnell ^{TO}

BACKGROUND:

Dr. Daniel J. Boorstin (pronounced Boor-stin) will be sworn in as the 12th Librarian of Congress by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Carl Albert, in the Great Hall of the Library of Congress. (Biography of Dr. Boorstin attached at TAB A.) Dr. Boorstin will succeed L. Quincy Mumford who retired December 31, 1974, after 20 years as Librarian. This is the first time a Librarian of Congress has been sworn in in the presence of a President of the United States.

The Library was created in 1800 by an Act of Congress. Its primary role is to perform research work for members and committees of Congress. Over the years, the collections of the Library have traditionally been shared with the public. The Library now functions as the national library of the United States.

Although the Library does not acquire every book printed, or even every book published in the United States, it does consider itself as "probably the world's largest library." As of June 30, 1974, the Library's collections totaled almost 74 million items, filling more than 320 miles of bookshelves.

The Great Hall is located in the Main Building, which was completed in 1897.

All the Members of Congress, some 60 friends and relatives of Dr. Boorstin, and approximately 300 Library employees, have been invited to attend the Ceremony.

Following your introduction by Congressman Nedzi, you make brief remarks, concluding in the request for the swearing-in of Dr. Boorstin.

SEQUENCE

2:15 p. m.

You board motorcade on South Grounds and depart en route the Library of Congress.

2:25 p. m.

Arrive Library of Congress where you will be met by Dr. Daniel Boorstin, Librarian of Congress Designate; Senator Howard W. Cannon (D-Nev.); Rep. Carl Albert (D-Okla.); and Rep. Lucien N. Nedzi (D-Mich.), Chairman of the Joint Committees on Libraries.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

Escorted by Librarian Designate Boorstin, you proceed to offstage announcement area and pause for announcement of individual platform guests.

2:30 p. m.

Announcement.

2:30 p. m.

Escorted by Dr. Boorstin, you proceed onto Great Hall stage and take your seat, 2nd seat, stage left between Speaker Albert and Dr. Boorstin.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 500

2:32 p. m.

Welcoming remarks, acknowledgements, and introduction of you by Rep. Nedzi.

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2:35 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS, concluding in the request for the swearing in of the Librarian Designate.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

2:45 p.m.

Your remarks conclude. You join Librarian Designate Boorstin and Rep. Albert at the stand up microphone for the swearing in.

2:46 p.m.

Swearing-in Ceremony.

2:49 p.m.

Swearing-in ceremony concludes.

Participants return to their seats.

2:50 p.m.

Remarks by Librarian Boorstin.

2:56 p.m.

Thank you remarks by Rep. Nedzi.

2:57 p.m.

Escorted by Librarian Boorstin, you depart stage en route motorcade, board, and depart en route the South Grounds of the White House.

3:10 p.m.

Arrive South Grounds.

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*The Library of Congress
requests the pleasure of your company
at a ceremony marking the swearing in of
Daniel J. Boorstin
as the twelfth Librarian of Congress
at two o'clock, November the twelfth
nineteen hundred and seventy-five
in the Great Hall of the Library*

*Please present this
invitation at the door*

*RSVP
202-426-5218*

Pat,

I put in his folder the invitation which must be presented at the door. I don't know if the RSVP was made. Dr. Cavanaugh said Cannon probably wouldn't go to this.

Cristy

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Mr. Cannon:

Do you wish to attend the swearing-in ceremony for Daniel Boorstin as Librarian of Congress in the Great Hall of the Library?

YES NO

RSVP

if possible