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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 7, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

DICK LUKSTAT

SUBJECT:

BICENTENNIAL EVENTS JULY 1-7, 1976

Attached is the current compilation of major

Bicentennial events during the period July 1-7, 1976.

I will have copies for distribution at the Monday

meeting.

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American Revolution Bicentennial Administration 2401 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20276



January 13, 1976

Honorable John O. Marsh, Jr. Counsellor to the President MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: National Independence Weekend in Washington, D.C.

ARBA is continuously collecting all information relative to programs related to the Bicentennial being scheduled for the Greater Washington Metropolitan Area. Attached is an up-to-date listing of the data we have covering July 3, 4 and 5, 1976.

> W. Warner Administrator

Enclosure: List

NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE WEEKEND - 1976 Washington, D.C.

July 3 - National Heritage Day

FLAG RAISING CEREMONIES - Washington Monument (tentative)

(Involving young representatives from each State) (Suggested) "Honor America" Organization Sponsor: John Cosgrove - 927 National Press Building, Contact: Washington, D.C., 20045, Phone: (202) 628-3400

NATION DAY OBSERVANCE - Washington Cathedral (two-or three-day celebration)

(Liturgy/Festival Concerts/Open House)

Sponsor: Washington Cathedral

Richard Dirksen - Washington Cathedral, Mt. St. Alban, Washington, D.C., 20016, Phone: (202) 966-3500 Contact:

FESTIVAL OF AMERICAN FOLKLIFE - Mall (an ongoing event)

(Designed to present the art, music, dance, food and stories of our people - participation of some 40 Nations expected)

Smithsonian Institution Sponsor:

Jim Morris, Smithsonian Festival of American Folklife. Contact:

Washington, D.C., 20506, Phone: (202) 381-6515

FREEDOM TRAIN - Washington Area (June 30 - July 5)

(25 car train carrying some 700 historical items)

Sponsor: American Freedom Train Foundation

Don Mallicoat/Al Bruce - American Freedom Train Contact: Foundation, 5205 Leesburg Pike, Suite 800, Baileys Crossroads, Va., 22041, Phone: (703) 820-7300

CENTENNIAL SAFE (U.S. CONGRESS) - Capitol (possible July 3rd or 4th

event) (Opening and Display of Safe presented to Congress in 1876 by Mrs. Charles Deihm containing commonly

used items of period)

Sponsor: U.S. Congress

George White, Architect, U.S. Congress, Washington, D.C., Contact:

20515, Phone: (202) 225-1200

<u>SALUTE TO THE STATES</u> - Wolf Trap (tentative)

(A musical salute to our 50 States by various participating musical groups and artists)

Sponsor:

Contact: Tom Rother, Manager, Wolf Trap Farm for the Performing

Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna, Va., 22180,

Phone: (703) 938-3810

HONOR AMERICA PROGRAM - Kennedy Center

(A gala variety program with Country's top entertainment - with

VIP guest list, possibly including President)
National TV coverage - huge fireworks display
following program

Sponsor: Honor America Organization

Contact: John Cosgrove - 927 National Press Building,

Washington, D.C., 20045, Phone: (202) 628-3400

July 4 - National Independence Day

NATION DAY OBSERVANCE - Washington Cathedral

(See July 3 Listing)

FESTIVAL OF AMERICAN FOLKLIFE - Mall

(See July 3 Listing)

FREEDOM TRAIN - Washington Area

(See July 3 Listing)

CENTENNIAL SAFE (U.S. CONGRESS) - Capitol

(See July 3 Listing)

<u>VIKING SPACE VEHICLE LANDING ON MARS</u> - (tentative)

(Soft landing of unmanned spacecraft on Mars - expected to tie

in with opening of new Air and Space Museum)

Sponsor: National Aeronautics and Space Administration Contact: John Donnelly, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington,

D.C., 20546, Phone: (202 755-3828

THE NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM

(Opening of this is now scheduled for July 4)

Sponsor: Smithsonian Institution

Contact: Mrs. Susan Hamilton, 1000 Jefferson Drive, SW,

Washington, D.C., Phone: (202) 381-6228

RINGING OF ALL BELLS IN THE NATION'S CAPITOL - (in conjunction with National Program)

(This is tentatively scheduled for 2:p.m.)

Sponsor: Happy Birthday, USA

Contact: Lawrence Stinchcomb, 736 Jackson Place, NW.,

Washington, D.C., 20276, Phone: (202) 382-1876

"OUR CAPITOL: FREEDOM SPEAKS" - Sound and Light Historama - Capitol

(This program is supposed to start July 4th but there is a strong doubt of it becoming a reality)

Sponsor: U.S. Capitol Historical Society

Contact: U.S. Capitol Historical Society, 200 Maryland Ave., NE,

Washington, D.C., 20515, Phone: (202) 543-8919

NATIONAL VISITOR CENTER - Union Station

(Opening of this ongoing project - a welcome area, theater and

audio visual equipment)

Sponsor: National Park Service

Contact: National Visitor Center, Union Station, Washington, D.C.,

20002, Phone: (202) 523-5300

NATIONWIDE BICENTENNIAL INFORMATION CENTER - National Visitor Center

(Opening of this ongoing project, "Discover the USA" exhibit - designed to motivate visits to sites and activities

throughout the Country)

Sponsor: National Park Service, National Capital Parks and ARBA

Contact: Bicentennial Coordinator, National Parks Service,

1100 Ohio Drive, SW, Washington, D.C., 20242,

Phone: (202) 426-6646

SOUND AND LIGHT SHOW - MT. VERNON

(Gift from French to U.S.)

Sponsor: French Government

Contact: Mr. Dominique Souchet, French Embassy, 2535 Belmont Rd.,

NW, Washington, D.C., 20008, Phone: (202) AD4-0990

NATIONAL PAGEANT OF FREEDOM/SALUTE TO THE AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL -Capitol and Washington Monument

(This event will be covered by National TV and will include

musical presentations, an address by the President or Vice President, hopefully, and a gigantic fire-

works display)

Happy Birthday, USA Sponsor:

Contact: Lawrence Stinchcomb, 736 Jackson Place, NW,

Washington, D.C., 20276, Phone: (202) 382-1876

July 5 - National Horizons Day

NATION DAY OBSERVANCE - Washington Cathedral

(See July 3 Listing)

FESTIVAL OF AMERICAN FOLKLIFE - Mall

(See July 3 Listing)

FREEDOM TRAIN - Washington Area

(See July 3 Listing)

CENTENNIAL SAFE (U.S. Congress) - Capitol

(Proposed putting new materials in safe and closing for another 100 years) (See July 3 Listing)

THE AMERICAN BICENTENNIAL GRAND PARADE - Constitution/Independence Avenues

(This gala parade starting at noon will have as its theme.

"A Nation of Nations," "We, the People . . ."
It will have national TV coverage - each State will

participate)

Sponsor: Happy Birthday - USA

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

May 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DICK CHENEY

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

SUBJECT:

Upcoming Events Suitable for Presidential Participation in the National Security Community

In reply to your request, attached are calendars of events scheduled to take place during the next thirty days under the sponsorship of the Department of State (Tab A) and Defense (Tab B), which you may wish to consider with a view toward Presidential participation.

In addition to the events listed in the attachments, you should also be aware of the following:

-- We anticipate that negotiations with the Soviet Union toward an agreement to limit peaceful nuclear explosions (PNEs), will be concluded shortly so as to facilitate a signing ceremony here in the White House prior to May 18.

I will keep you informed as additional possibilities surface or changes occur in the schedules attached.

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MAY	
11	President and Mrs. Ford Host Luncheon for Danish Queen Margrethe II
10-14	Credentials Ceremony for the Ambassadors of Bolivia, Czechoslovakia, and Yemen
20	Proposed meeting for former Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir (30-45 minutes)
17-29	Proposed farewell call for Liberian Ambassador Peal (10 minutes)
17-20	State Visit of French President Giscard d'Estaing
	Possible office meeting with Sierra Leone President Stevens
JUNE	
2-4	State Visit of Spanish King Juan Carlos
9	Private Visit of Botswana President Khama at 11 AM (30 minutes)
9-12	Proposed US-Canadian Border Meeting with Prime Minister Trudeau
10-11	Proposed office meeting for Sudanese President Nimeiri (30-45 minutes)
15-16	Official Visit of Greek Prime Minister Caramanlis
26	Possible courtesy call by Mayor of Linz, Germany
29-30	Proposed office meeting for Presidential Advisor Naim of Afghanistan (30 minutes)
	Possible Rambouillet II Conference in the U.S. with Heads of State of France, Germany, Japan, Canada and UK
JULY	
2	Courtesy Call for Norwegian Crown Prince and Princess at 11 AM (10 minutes)
7-10	State Visit of Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain
15-16	Official Visit of German Chancellor Schmidt
20	President and Mrs. Ford Host White Tie Reception for the Diplomatic Corps

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JULY (continued)

27-28 or 28-29 Proposed Official Visit to Washington of Australian Prime Minister Fraser

-- Possible office call for Turkish Opposition leader Ecevit

Possible office call for Saudi Prince Abdallah bin Abd al Aziz al Saud

Possible visit of Dutch Prime Minister

- Possible call for Monaco Rainier III and Princess Grace

- Possible call by IADB Delegation

AUGUST

Early Proposed State Visit for Finland President Kekkonen

SEPTEMBER

14 State Visit of Brazilian President Geisel

State Visit approved for Liberian President Tolbert, possibly

September or October.

-- Official Visit approved for Sir Lanka Prime Minister Bandaranaike,

possibly late September.

Possible call by NATO Permanent Representatives

OCTOBER

5 State Visit of Venezuelan President Perez

Possible call by Lesotho Prime Minister Jonathan

Fall Possible courtesy call by Edvard Kardelj, Member of the Yugo-

slav Collective Presidency

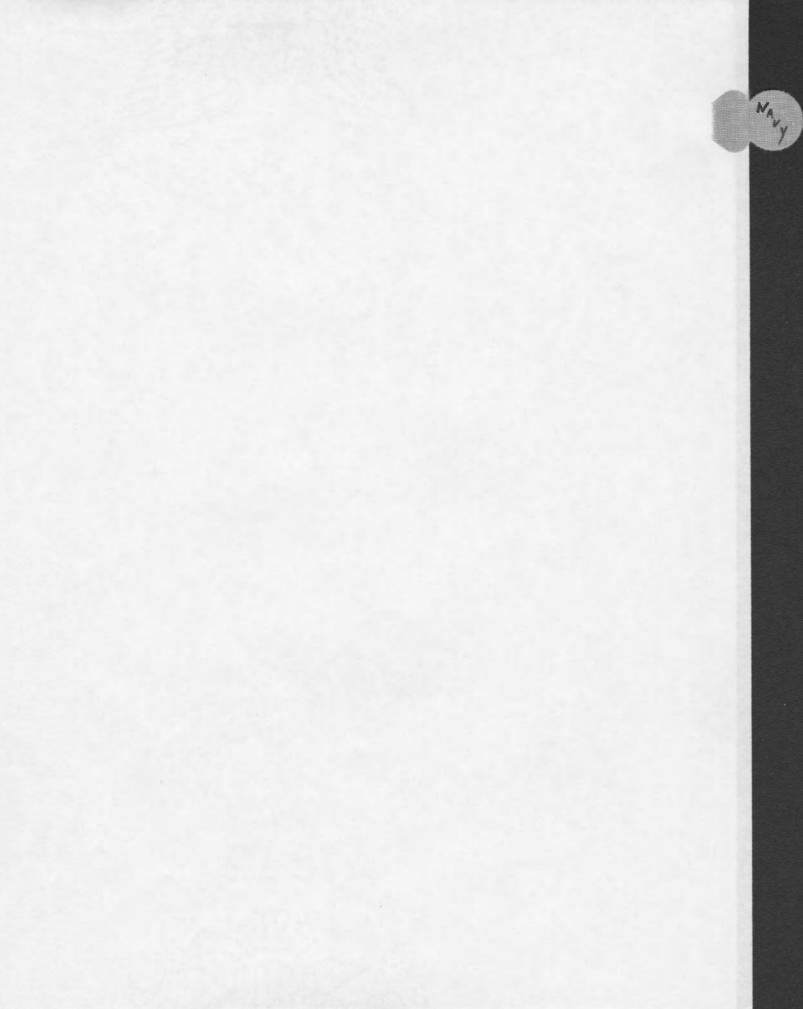




ARMY EVENTS FORTHCOMING

Event	Date	Location
Farewell Review (Troops of 82d Abn Div) Retirement Ceremony for GEN Melvin Zais	20 Mars 76	
TOL GEN REIVIN Zais	28 May 76	Fort Bragg, NC
Memorial Day Observance Tomb of the Unknowns	31 May 76	Arlington Nat'l Cemetery
USMA Graduation Ceremonies	2 June 76	West Point, NY (presently schedul) Carlisle Barracks
USAWC Graduation Ceremonies	7 June 76	Carlisle Barracks, Penna.
IA Chapter, AUSA Annual Army Birthday Ball	12 June 76	IA, California
"Spirit of America" Presentation	* 16-20 June 76	Capital Center, Maryland
ROIC Basic Camp Opening Ceremonies	21 June 76	Ft. Riley, Kansas

^{* 20} June preferred date



NAVY EVENTS FORTHCOMING

MAY	
18-21	NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE NAVY LEAGUE OF THE U.S Boston
	SPEAKING OPPORTUNITIES MAY 19 - SEA SERVICES LUNCHEON MAY 20 - AWARDS LUNCHEON (SECNAV CURRENTLY SCHEDULED) MAY 21 - BREAKFAST MAY 21 - BANQUET (CNO CURRENTLY SCHEDULED)
22	PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI — CHRISTENING OF THE <u>USS COMTE de GRASSE</u> (DD974) (Madame Giscard D/Estaing will do the honors)
25	POSEIDON MISSILE SHOT CAPE CANAVARAL
27	MARINE CORPS DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION COMPOUND QUANTICO AV8A HARRIER DEMONSTRATION
28	BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI RIBBON CUTTING
29	TARAWA (LHA-1) COMMISSIONING, PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI
JUNE	
2	NAVAL ACADEMY GRADUATION (SEC RUMSFELD CURRENILY SCHEDULED)
12	PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI — CHRISTENING USS O'BRIEN (DD975)
16	NAVY NIGHT AT THE POPS BOSTON - ARTHUR FIEDLER, SECRETARY MIDDENDORF - APPEARANCE BY PRESIDENT WOULD BE GREAT
17	USS CONSTITUTION INTERNATIONAL BICENTENNIAL TURNAROUND - PRESIDENT COULD WITNESS AS REVIEWING OFFICER FROM BAY STATE HIS DAUGHER HAS BEEN INVITED RECOMMEND SHE ACCEPT
26	PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI COMMISSIONING USS KINCAID (DD965)
JULY	
4	INTERNATIONAL NAVAL REVIEW, NEW YORK PARADE OF SAILS
9	INTERNATIONAL SEAPOWER SYMPOSIUM — NAVAL WAR COLLEGE (SEC ELLSWORTH NOW SCHEDULED TO SPEAK. AUDIENCE IS FOREIGN CHIEFS OF NAVAL OPERATIONS AND OTHER INT. DIGNITARIES)

JULY (continued)

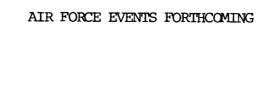
10	OPSAIL - REVIEW - BOSTON - TALL SHIPS-SAME AS NEW YORK
11	USS CONSTITUTION MEETS QUEEN OF ENGLAND'S SHIP AS SHE ARRIVES -FIRES GUN SALUTE - BOSTON
31	LAUNCHING NUCLEAR POWERED GUIDED MISSILE CRUISER MISSISSIPPI - NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

AUGUST

NAVY BAND'S CHILDREN'S CONCERT AT JEFFERSON MEMORIAL — WASHINGTON, D.C. — 6-10,000 ADULTS & CHILDREN — RECOMMEND PRESIDENT MAKE APPEARANCE

AIR.





Colorado Springs, Colorado, U.S. Air Force Academy.

Thomas D. White Award Parade/General John Ryan to be recipient.

4 to 6,000 expected to attend.

Local and Denver media invited.

10-15 May 1976

Spokane, Washington, Fairchild AFB (SAC).

Lilac Week Festival.

Fairchild AFB Open House. (16 May 1976)

50,000 expected.

14-16 May 1976

Wichita, Kansas, McConnell AFB (SAC).

Wichitennial River Parade, 14 May.

100,000 expected.

McConnell AFB Open House, 16 May.

60,000 expected.

Rantoul, Illinois, Chanute AFB (ATC).

Armed Forces Day Open House and Dedication of new dorm in honor of World War II Medal of Honor winner Sgt Mathies and park dedication.

1,000 to 6,000 expected.

San Antonio, Texas, Kelly AFB, (AFLC).

Armed Forces Day Open House.

100,000 expected.

Torrance, California (AFSC).

Armed Forces Day Parade followed by reception at Long Beach Naval Air Station.

20-30,000 expected to view parade.

Colorado Springs, CO., Peterson Field, (NORAD/ADCOM).

Armed Forces Day Joint Ceremony - Fort Carson Air Force Academy, Peterson Field.

50-75,000 expected to attend.

15-16 May 1976

Opa-Locka, Miami, Florida.

Armed Forces Week Exposition.

200,000 expected.

Biloxi, Mississippi, Keesler AFB (ATC).

Open House Thunderbird demonstration and reception.

Governor and civic leaders expected to attend.

50-70,000 expected.

Columbus, Ohio, Rickenbacker AFB, (SAC).

Rickenbacker AFB Open House.

75,000 expected.

31 May 1976

Wrightstown, New Jersey, McGuire AFB, (MAC).

Armed Forces Day Open House.

20,000 expected.

1 June 1976

Colorado Springs, Colorado, U.S. Air Force Academy.

Graduation Parade.

Local and regional media expected.

10 thousand expected.

2 June 1976

Colorado Springs, Colorado, U.S. Air Force Academy.

Graduation ceremony and Thunderbirds demonstration.

Vice President is scheduled to speak.

Local and regional media invited.

20 thousand expected.

14 June 1976

Cape Canaveral, Florida, Kennedy Space Center (NASA).

U.S. Bicentennial Exposition on Science and Technology (U.S. BEST).

Official opening of first federally sponsored exposition.

5-10 thousand expected.

19-20 June 1976

Kansas City, Kansas, Richards-Gebaur AFB (AFCS).

Open House with Thunderbirds Scheduled.

160,000 total expected for two days.

Washington, D.C., Smithsonian Institution
Air and Space Museum.

Official dedication and opening of museum with ribbon cutting.

The President is expected to dedicate the museum with remarks.

Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Pease AFB, (SAC).

Portsmouth Bicentennial Celebration.

50,000 expected.

Montgomery, Alabama, Maxwell AFB, (AU).

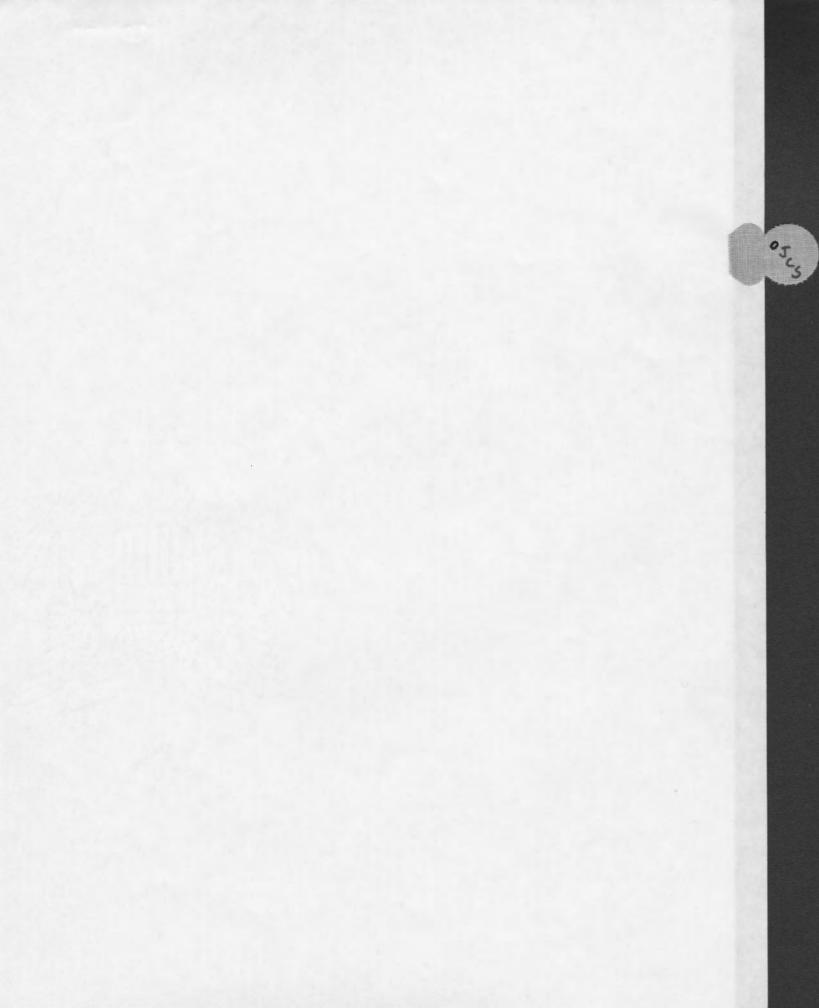
Bicentennial Open House.

10-12,000 expected to attend.

Cheyenne, Wyoming, Francis E. Warren AFB, (SAC).

Francis E. Warren AFB Open House held in conjunction with Frontier Days.

50,000 expected.



ORGANIZATION OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

EVENIS FORTHCOMING

17-23 May 1976

THE ATLANTIC COMMAND (LANTCOM) WILL CONDUCT A JOINT TRAINING EXERCISE AT FORTH STEWART, GEORGIA, AND IN THE CAMP LEJEUNE AREA OF NORTH CAROLINA. THE EXERCISE, SOLID SHIELD 76, WILL EMPHASIZE COMMAND AND CONTROL OF FORCES FROM THE US ARMY, US NAVY, US MARINE CORPS, US COAST GUARD, AND US AIR FORCE EXERCISING IN A UNIFIED COMMAND ENVIRONMENT. FORCES WILL OPERATE IN TRAINING AREAS LOCATED ON THE CAMP LEJEUNE AND FORT STEWART RESERVATIONS, AND IN COUNTIES ADJOINING CAMP LEJEUNE.

19 May

THE COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF (CINCS) CONFERENCE, McDILL AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA

Major amphili land 117 MEMORANDUM TO:

DICK CHENEY

FROM

JACK MARSH

SUBJECT:

BICENTENNIAL ATR OF JULY

The following have been working on this problem;

Russ Rourks Ted Marrs Milt Mitter Bill Nicholson Jack Marsh

You may wish to include one or more of the following:

Jerry Jones Jim Consor Dave Gergen

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 19, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

RICHARD CHENEY

FROM:

WILLIAM NICHOLSON

INFORMATION:

JERRY JONES

SUBJECT:

Proposed Presidential Schedule vis-a-vis the Bicentennial Celebration, July 1-5

Thursday, July l

11:00 a.m. (60 min)

Dedicate the National Air and Space Museum.

This latest addition to the Smithsonian Institution system is ready to open and the dedication ceremony will be one of the major Bicentennial activities in the city.

The museum was conceived back in 1946 when Congress established a National Air Museum to "memorialize the national development of aviation." The new site, on the Mall along Independence Avenue between 4th and 7th Streets, was chosen in 1958. In 1966, Congress amended the name to the National Air and Space Museum and set a \$40 million limit for construction. The building was begun in 1972.

The museum will contain 200,000 square feet of exhibit space and 26 exhibit halls. The exhibits will rotate from time to time as funds allow and will range from man's first aspirations to fly to his landing on the moon. One of the special and permanent displays will be the Wright Kitty Hawk Flyer.

In addition to the halls, there are two special purpose chambers. The first is a theater with a seating capacity of 480, and the second, which will be known as the Einstein Spacearium, will facilitate 200 persons who can sit in a circle under a dome 70 feet in diameter and watch accurate simulations of the sky and flight into space.



The telescope-projector to be used in the Spacearium is a Bicentennial gift to our nation from the Federal Republic of Germany.

John Warner and John Marsh recommends.

Approve	Disapprove	
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Friday, July 2

11:00 a.m. (10 min)

Greet Crown Prince Harald of Norway and his wife, Princess Sonja who will be in the US to present a \$200,000 Bicentennial gift to the President from the people of Norway. The monies will be used to construct a health and sports center for the handicapped which will probably be located in Minnesota. Previously approved.

11:15 a.m. (10 min)

Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints who will present the President a statuette replica of the Mormon Pioneer Memorial Monument, the Church's Bicentennial gift to the Nation. Previously approved.

Saturday, July 3

12:00 Noon (60 min)

Deliver address at the National Archives at ceremony in honor of the Declaration of Independence. It is most appropriate to pay tribute to the Declaration of Independence, the document which is central to the entire Bicentennial celebration. John Warner and John Marsh have suggested a ceremony on the steps of the National Archives building where the President would be accompanied by the Chief Justice of the Suprome Court, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The President would speak, after which he and the other dignitaries would enter the Rotunda of the Archives to view the Declaration of Independence. The President's address would be a public

ceremony with seating in front of the Archives and in a special area opposite across Constitution Avenue.

Approve	Disapprove	

8:30 p.m. (approximate time)

Honor America program at the Kennedy Center. The President committed to J. Willard Marriott to attend this patriotic and inspirational program by the nation's leading entertainment talent.

Sunday, July 4

8:00 a.m.

Depart South Lawn for Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

9:00 a.m.

Greet wagonmasters at Wagon Train Encampment at Valley Forge Park and accept Pledges of Rededication. Fifty covered wagons (one from each state) will meet at Valley Forge at the conclusion of a Bicentennial pilgrimage across the country. The pledges the President will accept were signed by hundreds of thousands of Americans and collected by the wagon trains enroute to Valley Forge. The President will arrive at the Park following an ecumenical religious service. John Warner and John Marsh recommend.

Approve		Disapprove	
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9:40 a.m.

Depart Valley Forge for Philadelphia.

10:00 a.m. (120 min)

Special Bicentennial Program at Independence Hall in Philadelphia. The City of Philadelphia plans for this program to begin with an invocation, the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance. Marion Anderson will read excerpts from the Declaration of Independence and Chief Justic Berger, Governor Schapp and Mayor Rizzo will speak prior to the President's address. The Nation's Governors will be included in the program as the National Governors Conference will be in session just outside Philadelphia. John Warner and John Marsh recommend.

Approve	Disapprove
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12:15 p.m.	Depart Independence Hall en route New York City.					
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

RICHARD CHENEY

FROM:

WILLIAM NICHOLSON

INFORMATION:

JERRY JONES

SUBJECT:

Proposed Presidential Schedule vis-a-vis the Bicentennial Celebration, July 1-5

Thursday, July 1

11:00 a.m. (60 min)

Dedicate the National Air and Space Museum.

This latest addition to the Smithsonian Institution system is ready to open and the dedication ceremony will be one of the major Bicentennial activities in the city.

The museum was conceived back in 1946 when Congress established a National Air Museum to "memorialize the national development of aviation." The new site, on the Mall along Independence Avenue between 4th and 7th Streets, was chosen in 1958. In 1966, Congress amended the name to the National Air and Space Museum and set a \$40 million limit for construction. The building was begun in 1972.

The museum will contain 200,000 square feet of exhibit space and 26 exhibit halls. The exhibits will rotate from time to time as funds allow and will range from man's first aspirations to fly to his landing on the moon. One of the special and permanent displays will be the Wright Kitty Hawk Flyer.

In addition to the halls, there are two special purpose chambers. The first is a theater with a seating capacity of 480, and the second, which will be known as the Einstein Spacearium, will facilitate 200 persons who can sit in a circle under a dome 70 feet in diameter and watch accurate simulations of the sky and flight into space.



The telescope-projector to be used in the Spacearium is a Bicentennial gift to our nation from the Federal Republic of Germany.

John Warner and John Marsh recommends.

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Friday, July 2

11:00 a.m. (10 min)

wife, Princess Sonja who will be in the US to present a \$200,000 Bicentennial gift to the President from the people of Norway. The monies will be used to construct a health and sports center for the handicapped which will probably be located in Minnesota. Previously approved.

Greet Crown Prince Harald of Norway and his

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Greet Spencer W. Kimball, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints who will present the President a statuette replica of the Mormon Pioneer Memorial Monument, the Church's Bicentennial gift to the Nation. Previously approved.

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12:00 Noon (60 min)

Deliver address at the National Archives at ceremony in honor of the Declaration of Independence. It is most appropriate to pay tribute to the Declaration of Independence, the document which is central to the entire Bicentennial celebration. John Warner and John Marsh have suggested a ceremony on the steps of the National Archives building where the President would be accompanied by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representative. President would speak, after which he and the other dignitaries would enter the Rotunda of the Archives to view the Declaration of Independence. The President's address would be a public

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Honor America program at the Kennedy Center.
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8:00 a.m.

Depart South Lawn for Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

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9:40 a.m.

Depart Valley Forge for Philadelphia.

10:00 a.m. (120 min)

Special Bicentennial Program at Independence
Hall in Philadelphia. The City of Philadelphia
plans for this program to begin with an invocation,
the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance.
Marion Anderson will read excerpts from the
Declaration of Independence and Chief Justic Berger,
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