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POOL REPORT

Ford on slopes to supplement Lewine/Dillman pool report.

President Ford . . rosy cheeked from skiing in the 10-below weather on Vail's mountains. . shushed down "the Village Catwalk" into a crowd of waiting reporters. The President said:

"A beautiful day of skiing."

"An ideal day for skiing."

"Got my legs in shape, skied with friends from all over the country."

Now, "couple hours of work, probably some bills to act on, and some other matters to consider."

"I've got to go in to have some lunch now. . " Approximately 2:10 p. m. MST.

The President obliged a young boy who asked for a handshake. President was wearing dark brown parka, dark slacks and an orange cap. . . a different outfit from yesterday . . reportedly to keep his presence on the slopes as inconspicuous as possible.

The President skied for nearly 4-hours, reportedly with a friend "Tremell Crowe" of Vail. (Check with Nessen's office on that.)

Compton, ABC 2:25 p. m., MST

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