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POOL REPORT #3

Travel Pool from Schloss Klesheim to Schloss Fuschl

This pool was protective travel from Schloss Klesheim, where Ford is staying, to Schloss Fuschl where Sadat is staying.

The motorcade left the grounds at 12:42 p.m. in a steady downpour. Along the 30-minute route -- we were told it is usually a 20-minute drive -- there were gendarmes stationed at intervals. The intervals got longer as the motorcade got into the countryside.

Now and then, a few people appeared on the route. They were huddled under umbrellas and there was no applause or waving. Just before we reached the turnoff into the Hotel Schloss Fuschl, the car carrying Don Rumsfeld and Dave Kennerly broke down. In Rumsfeld's words: "It expired." They got in a spare car to complete the trip.

Security was unbelievably tight as we approached the entrance to the hotel, which is on the edge of a picturesque lake. We never saw Ford and Sadat enter the hotel.

Pool #4 picked up there, but the scene outside was bedlam.

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