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June 13, 1975

Office of the White House Press Secretary

THE WHITE HOUSE

THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO  
FORT BENNING  
COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Saturday, June 14, 1975

- 6:45 a. m.      EDT      Press Check-in at Andrews Air Force Base.
- 7:15 a. m.      EDT      Press Plane departs Andrews Air Force Base enroute  
Lawson Army Airfield, Fort Benning, Georgia.
- 7:55 a. m.      EDT      THE PRESIDENT BOARDS MARINE ONE, THE SOUTH  
LAWN, THE WHITE HOUSE, AND DEPARTS ENROUTE  
ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE.
- 8:15 a. m.      EDT      THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE,  
BOARDS AIR FORCE ONE, AND DEPARTS ENROUTE  
LAWSON ARMY AIRFIELD, FORT BENNING, GEORGIA.

Flying Time: 1 hour 35 minutes  
No Time Change

- 9:05 a. m.      EDT      Press Plane arrives Lawson Army Airfield, Fort Benning,  
Georgia.

PRESS NOTE: Press proceed to Press Area.

Press Facilities:

6 coin telephones

- 9:50 a. m.      EDT      THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES LAWSON ARMY AIRFIELD,  
FORT BENNING, GEORGIA.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

THE PRESIDENT IS GREETED BY:

MG Thomas M. Tarpley, Commanding General

- 9:55 a. m.      EDT      THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS LAWSON ARMY AIRFIELD  
VIA AUTO ENROUTE INFANTRY HALL, FORT BENNING,  
GEORGIA.

Driving Time: 5 minutes

Press Buses follow.

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10:00 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES INFANTRY HALL AND  
MG TARPLEY INTRODUCES THE PRESIDENT TO THE  
EVENT CO-SPONSORS.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE: The Event Co-Sponsors are:

Mr. James Woodruff, National Association of the U. S.  
Army President

Mr. Joseph Windsor, President of the Local Chapter of  
the National Association of the U. S. Army

Mr. Charles Daley, Chairman of the Columbus Bicen-  
tennial Steering Committee

PRESS NOTE: The Press Center is adjacent to the  
Camera Platform, Building 4, Classroom 4.

Press Facilities:

30 long distance telephones

2 telex

1 mult

10:10 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT, ESCORTED BY MG TARPLEY,  
DEPARTS INFANTRY HALL ENROUTE PLATFORM.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

10:12 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES PLATFORM.

10:13 a. m. EDT Invocation by Sterling Weathrall, Chaplain.

10:16 a. m. EDT Introduction of the President by MG Tarpley.

10:20 a. m. EDT PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE: Remarks will be piped to the Press Center.

Press Facilities:

5 long distance telephones

2 mults

70 ft. camera throw

10:40 a. m. EDT PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS CONCLUDE.

10:41 a. m. EDT The Glorious Heritage Pageant on York Field begins.

10:43 a. m. EDT U. S. National Anthem.

PRESS NOTE: During a continuous narration, companies  
symbolizing the U. S. Army's involvement in thirteen  
wars will march forward on York Field in chronological  
order.

10:59 a. m. EDT The Troops post colors.

11:00 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT, ESCORTED BY MG TARPLEY, DEPARTS PLATFORM ENROUTE REVIEWING STAND.

11:02 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES REVIEWING STAND.

PRESS NOTE: Units and organizations representing all five types of infantry will pass the reviewing stand. This is one of the few occasions in which all five of the different types of infantry are assembled simultaneously.

11:18 a. m. EDT The Army Song.

11:20 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS REVIEWING STAND.

11:20 a. m. EDT Members of the Press who wish to attend the Ranger Demonstration must board the Press buses at this time. Members of the Press who do not wish to cover the Ranger Demonstration may walk to the Airborne Demonstration area, adjacent to York Field.

PRESS NOTE: Box lunches will be available to all members of the Press.

11:30 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS YORK FIELD VIA AUTO ENROUTE VICTORY POND.

Driving Time: 20 minutes

Press Buses follow.

11:50 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES VICTORY POND, IS GREETED BY COL. JAMES M. BOWERS, RANGER DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR, AND PROCEEDS TO VIEWING AREA.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

11:55 a. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES VIEWING STAND AREA BLEACHERS.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

11:56 a. m. EDT "Rangers in Action" demonstration begins.

PRESS NOTE: The demonstration will consist of a narration and display of hand-to-hand combat, mountaineering, and confidence tests.

12:15 p. m. EDT Press buses depart Ranger Demonstration enroute Airborne Demonstration.

12:25 p. m. EDT Ranger Demonstration concludes.

12:25 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT GREETES RANGER PARTICIPANTS.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

12:35 p. m. EDT Press must be in position for Airborne Demonstration other than those members of the Press in the motorcade covering the Ranger Demonstration.

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12:35 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS VICTORY POND VIA AUTO ENROUTE PARACHUTE TRAINING AREA AT EUBANKS FIELD.

Driving Time: 20 minutes

Press Buses follow.

12:55 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES PARACHUTE TRAINING AREA, IS GREETED BY COL. JACK WHITTED, AIRBORNE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR, AND PROCEEDS TO VIEWING AREA.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

12:59 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES VIEWING AREA.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

1:00 p. m. EDT Airborne 5000 demonstration begins.

PRESS NOTE: This demonstration will consist of narrative and display of Airborne training and tactical maneuvers.

1:35 p. m. EDT Airborne 5000 demonstration concludes.

1:35 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT GREETES AIRBORNE 5000 PARTICIPANTS

PRESS NOTE: Maj. Ken Johnston will present an "Iron Mike" trophy (Airborne Soldiers Memorial) to the President

1:40 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS PARACHUTE TRAINING AREA VIA AUTO ENROUTE HOLIDAY INN OF COLUMBUS AIRPORT, COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

Driving Time: 25 minutes

Expanded Travel Pool follows. Remainder of Press board buses and depart Parachute Training Area enroute Press Center.

2:05 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES HOLIDAY INN OF COLUMBUS AIRPORT, COLUMBUS, GEORGIA.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

THE PRESIDENT IS GREETED BY:

Mr. Mack Mattingly, Georgia GOP Chairman  
Mr. Albert Lellie, Holiday Inn Innkeeper

2:07 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT, ESCORTED BY MR. MATTINGLY, PROCEEDS TO MEETING ROOM 1.

2:10 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES MEETING ROOM 1 TO ATTEND INFORMAL GOP RECEPTION.

2:35 p. m. EDT Press Buses depart Press Center enroute Lawson Army Airfield, Fort Benning, Georgia.

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2:45 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS HOLIDAY INN OF COLUMBUS AIRPORT, COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, VIA AUTO ENROUTE LAWSON ARMY AIRFIELD, FORT BENNING, GEORGIA.

Driving Time: 25 minutes

Expanded Travel Pool follows.

3:10 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES LAWSON ARMY AIRFIELD, FORT BENNING, GEORGIA.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

THE PRESIDENT IS GREETED BY:

MG Thomas M. Tarpley  
Maj. Robert Williams, USA, Base Airfield Commander

PRESS NOTE: MG Tarpley will present an "Infantryman" statue to the President.

3:15 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT BOARDS AIR FORCE ONE, AND DEPARTS LAWSON ARMY AIRFIELD, FORT BENNING, GEORGIA, ENROUTE ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE.

Flying Time: 1 hour 30 minutes  
No Time Change

3:30 p. m. EDT Press Plane departs Lawson Army Airfield, Fort Benning, Georgia, enroute Andrews Air Force Base.  
(approx.)

4:45 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, BOARDS MARINE ONE, AND DEPARTS ENROUTE THE SOUTH LAWN, THE WHITE HOUSE.

5:00 p. m. EDT Press Plane arrives Andrews Air Force Base.  
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5:05 p. m. EDT THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES THE SOUTH LAWN, THE WHITE HOUSE.

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