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NOTICE TO THE PRESSSTATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARYConference on Security and Cooperation in Europe

With the conclusion of the Stage II negotiations of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) at Geneva on July 19, the 35 participating States will now go to Helsinki July 30 to August 1 for a final phase at the summit.

President Ford will be among the North American and European leaders attending. This meeting will bring CSCE to a formal close and permit the signing of the Final Document that has been negotiated. The President's presence there reflects our view that the CSCE Final Document, which includes declarations of political resolve and intent on a broad range of East-West issues, represents a positive step in our continuing efforts to build a more stable and productive East-West relationship.

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